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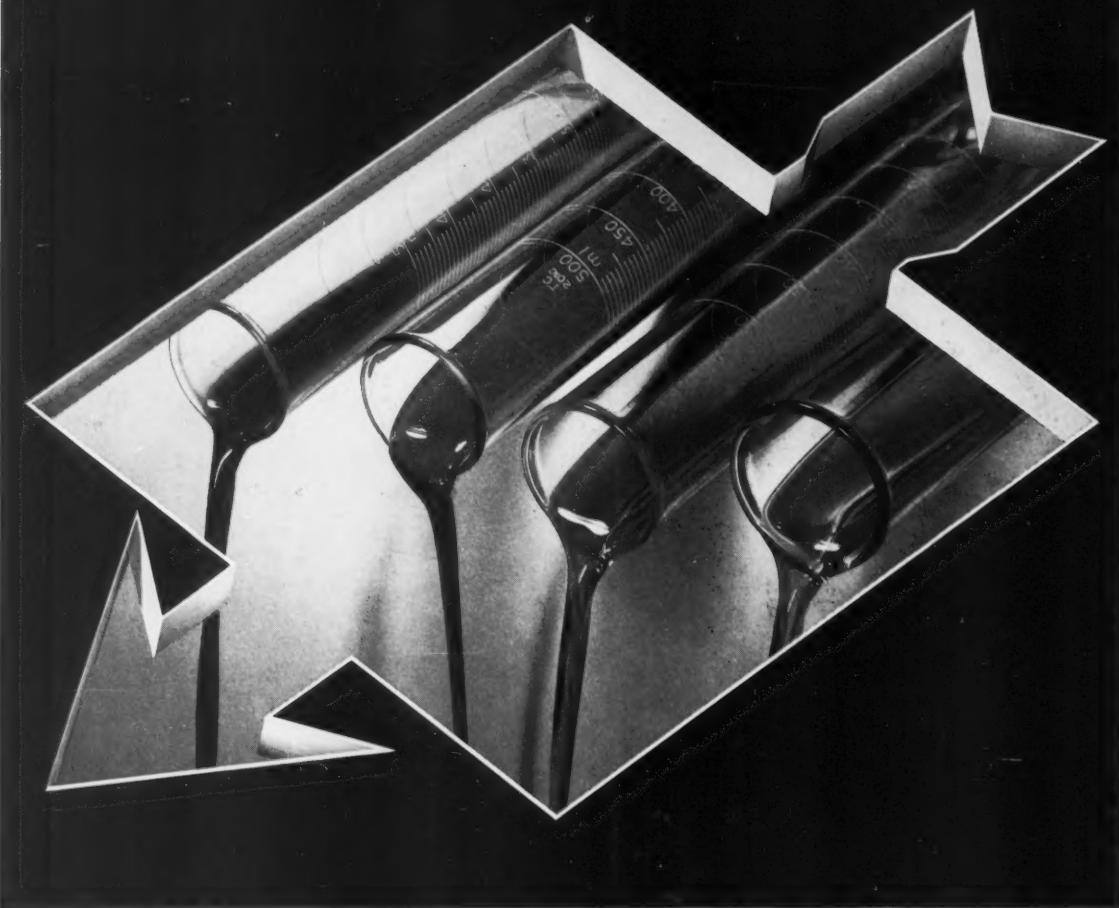
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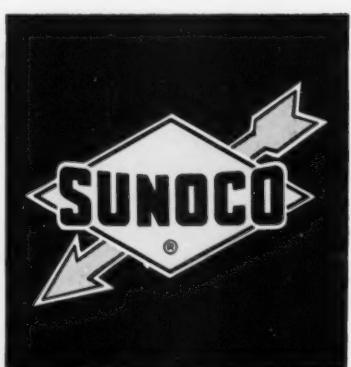
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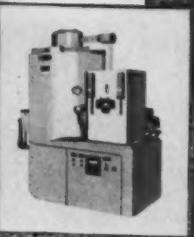
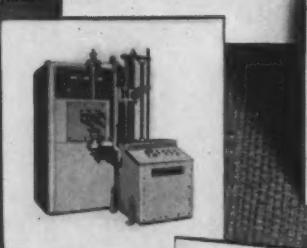
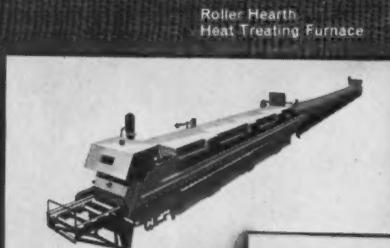
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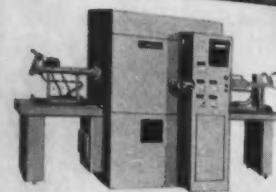
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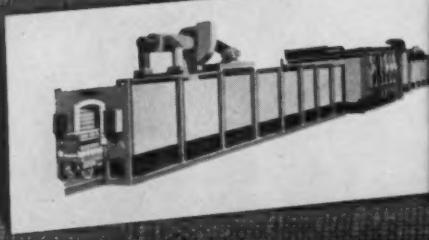
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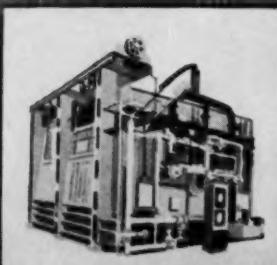
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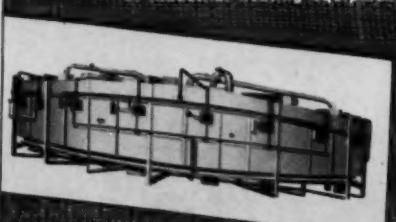
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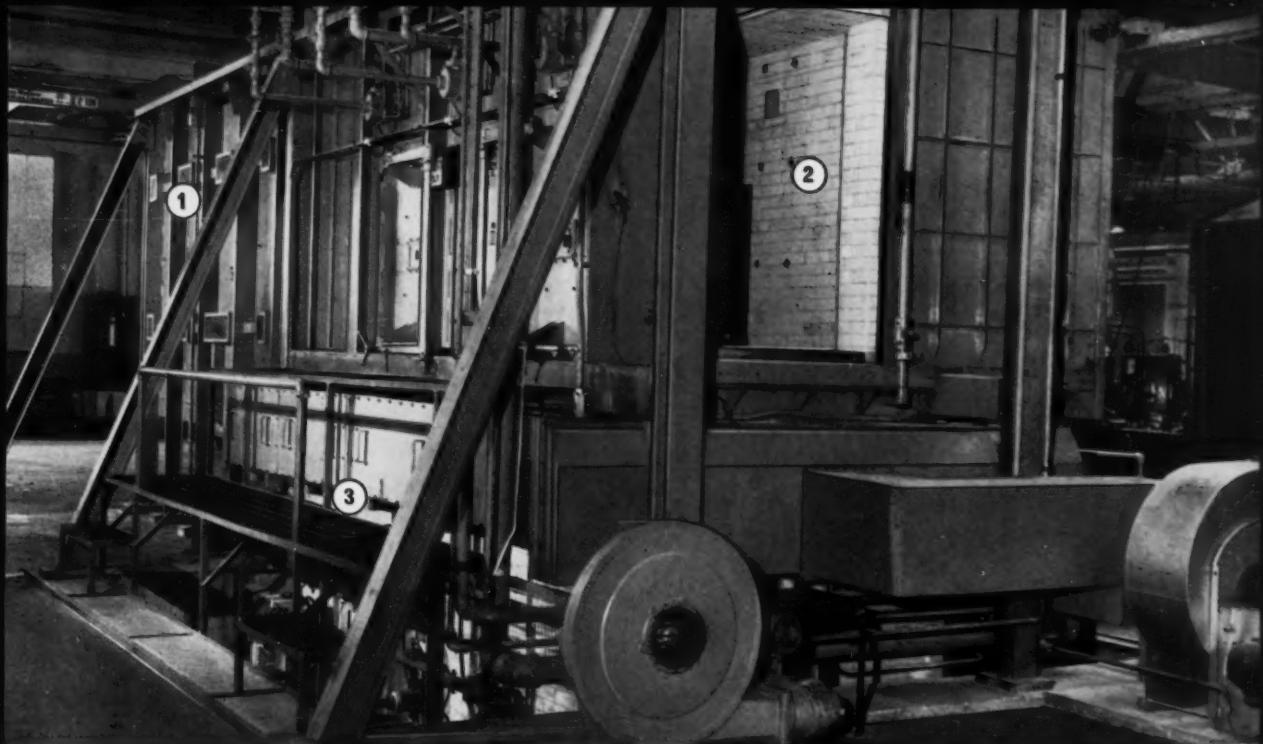
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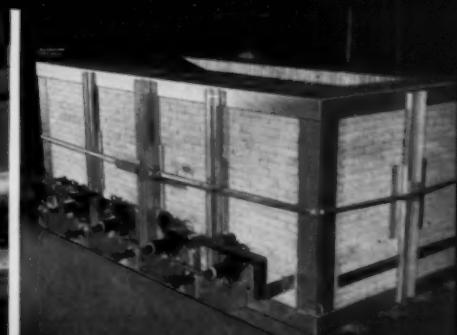
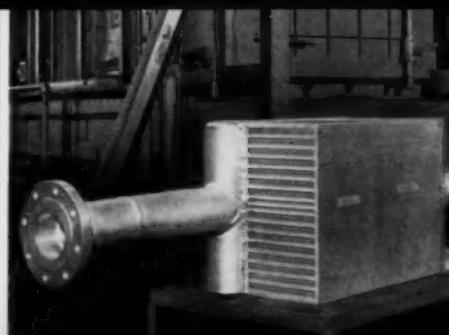
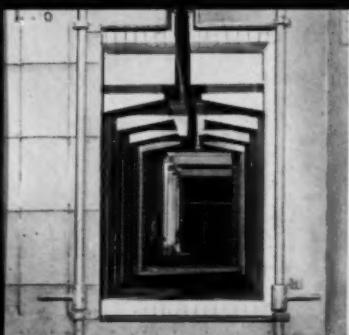
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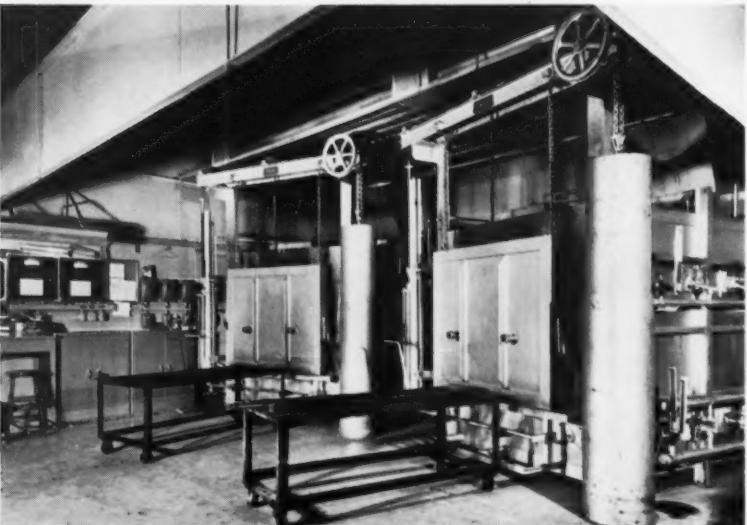
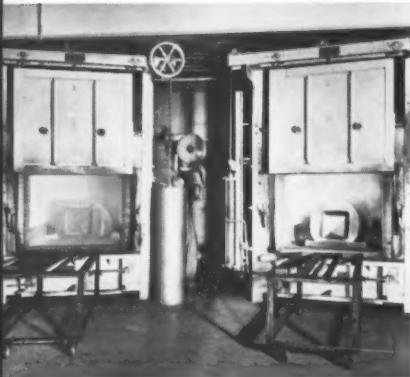


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ANNEALING OF DEEP-DRAWN FERROUS AND NON-FERROUS PARTS

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TRANSFORMATION BEHAVIOR IN STEELS

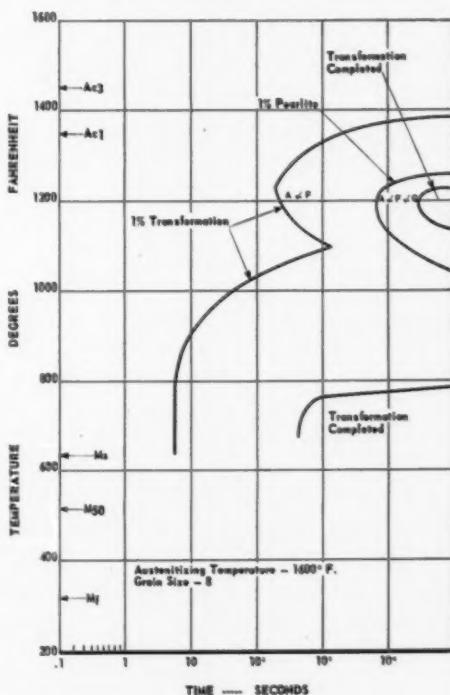
Since formal introduction of the "S" curve by Davenport and Bain in 1930, study of the constant temperature transformation of steel has increased tremendously. Due to the commercial importance of isothermal heat treatment, it may be well to describe briefly the laboratory procedure in obtaining a working diagram.

Small specimens, usually $\frac{1}{2}$ in. square by $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick are austenitized and subsequently quenched in either molten lead or salt which is maintained at a predetermined temperature (isotherm) for increasing periods of time. The amount of transformation is fixed by subsequent water quenching, whereas the progress of transformation is measured metallographically. The results are then plotted as a function of time; figure 1 illustrates a completed "S" curve for an AISI composition. As an example, following austenite decomposition within the ferrite range, figure 2a illustrates the formation of 15% ferrite after 48 hours at the $1,300^{\circ}$ F. isotherm. An increase in time to 6 days at this same isotherm indicates that transformation has proceeded to about 30%. Figure 2b illustrates the progress of transformation within the upper bainite range, the isotherm selected being at 900° F. At 15 seconds there is 6% transformed product; at the 60 second interval, it is at 27% and after 6 days at temperature, the percent of transformation is at 45%. Finally, in figure 2c, which illustrates the progress of transformation within the lower bainite range, the progress of transformation is rapid. At 15 seconds at the selected isotherm of 700° F., there is 7% transformed product; at the 30 second interval, there is 26% and at the 2 minute interval, there is 90% transformation.

In examining the specific diagram illustrated in figure 1, one will notice that it is of the "double-nose" type in which the upper nose represents the transformation of austenite to ferrite and pearlite, whereas the lower nose represents the transformation of austenite to bainite. Since a variety of alloying combinations are possible in formulating compositions, it is reasonable to expect that the isothermal diagram (IT) will also vary and, as a result, an attempt has been made to classify the diagrams into families.

There are, however, some common features to all diagrams. Thus, in some instances, both the Ac_1 and the Ac_3 points are given; however, a great number of

FIG. 1. Isothermal Diagram for AISI 8727.



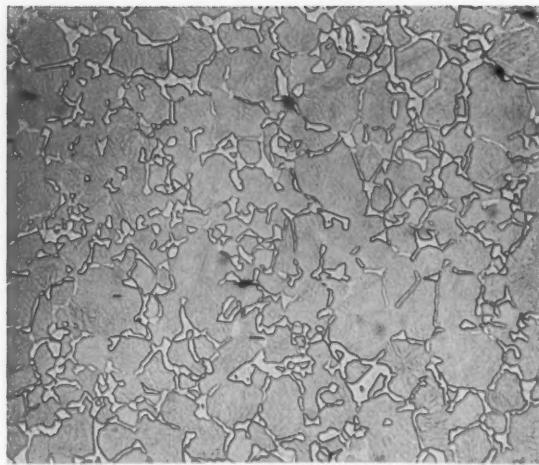
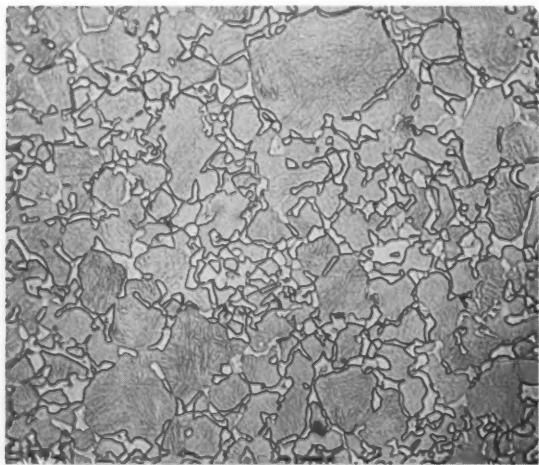


FIG. 2a. (TOP) Isotherm, 1,300° F.; time at isotherm, 48 hours; transformed product, Ferrite; percent of transformation, 15. (BOTTOM) Isotherm, 1,300° F.; time at isotherm, 6 days; transformed product, Ferrite; percent of transformation, 30.



diagrams give the Ae_1 and Ae_3 points which are based on actual determinations under equilibrium conditions. The temperature range of martensite formation is also summarized in isothermal transformation diagrams by arrows pointing to the temperature at which, on rapid cooling, austenite begins to transform to martensite (Ms), is half transformed (M_{50}), and is completely transformed (M_f). The usual method of determining these points is by a rather involved metallographic technique; however, the Ms point has been approximated by mathematical means.

While the isothermal diagram shows the time-temperature relationship for austenitic decomposition at constant temperature, it should be remembered that the conventional heat treat cycle involves transformation based on continuous cooling. Thus, the isothermal, or TTT curves may be used as a guide in planning conventional heat treating and to rationalize why an analysis responds as it does to a particular heat treatment. However, it cannot be used to predict accurately the course of transformation as it occurs during continuous cooling. This has resulted in the development of procedures, usually utilizing dilatometric equipment, in determining the transformation as it occurs during continuous cooling. The results of this is also plotted on semi-logarithmic paper as a function of time in the form of a continuous cooling or C.T. diagram. It is generally accepted that transformation that occurs during continuous cooling starts at times and temperatures considerably below and to the right of those indicated by the isothermal curves. When it is realized that the isothermal diagrams are for conditions for constant temperature, it can be used with a fair amount of reliability for those isothermal treatments under discussion, i.e., cyclic annealing, austempering and marquenching.

Applications of the IT Diagram to Heat Treatment

Conventional heat treatment. The most common method of hardening steel consists of heating the material to a temperature above the Ae_3 to produce a fully austenitic structure, holding at this temperature to assure homogenization and complete solution of carbides. This is followed by quenching in a suitable media whose cooling rate is sufficiently rapid to prevent austenitic decomposition until it reaches the Ms temperature of the steel. A schematic illustration of this type of treatment in relation to the I.T. diagram is given in figure 3. The cooling curves as drawn lie to the left of the nose indicating full hardening to a martensitic structure upon quenching. One of the curves indicating cooling of the surface of a quenched piece of steel, whereas the other curve represents the cooling of the center of the same piece. The tempering operation, which usually follows the quench, is also illustrated. It does not have any bearing on the IT diagram with the exception of the event that the austenite-

to-martensite is incomplete. In this case, retained austenite transforms during tempering to the transformation product indicated by the I. T. diagram.

Marquenching. One of the more practical tricks that have been used for decades by production heat treaters was the use of the interrupted quench. They had discovered that a procedure involving the quenching of a carbon steel in water, then transferring the hot section for the completion of the quench in oil realized not only the full desired hardness in the quenched section, but also minimized the danger of cracking and warpage. This method, which was erratic as to the end results due to the judgment of the individual heat treater and the lack of knowledge, was usually used on those jobs which were considered "tough" to handle.

This method has been placed on a more scientific basis; the principle governing this process being determined by Lewis in England¹ in 1929, and popularized in 1942 by Shepherd as "martempering". This method utilizes a principle of hot quenching in the vicinity of the Ms point, realizing the advantages of minimum residual stress within the part which will minimize warpage and considerably reduce the tendency of cracking. Successful use of this process is based upon knowledge of the isothermal diagram and the extent of control that is exercised in all phases of the heat treat cycle.

Application of martempering, or, marquenching, is illustrated in figure 4. The material is heated in the usual manner to the austenitizing temperature and, after the completion of the required soaking period to assure full austenitization, it is quenched directly into a properly agitated salt bath or mar-temp oil, the temperature of this quenching medium being in the vicinity of the Ms temperature. If full hardening is to occur, austenite must cool with sufficient rapidity to avoid transformation at the "nose" of the IT diagram. The work is allowed to remain in the quench bath, which is accurately controlled, for a sufficient length of time to assure equalization of temperature from center section to the surface. It is then allowed to air cool. The normal tempering operation follows with the end product being tempered martensite.

In a comparison between identical analyses and section size, as illustrated in table 1, the structure of a section that has been heat treated in the conventional heating and oil quenching will have more martensite than a section that has been marquenched. In addition, the section that has been marquenched will have from one to two points lower Rockwell C hardness. The work of Carroll and Grange, which has been cited by Aborn² illustrates this trend. The data tabulated indicating the metallographic and hardness differential between an oil quenched, brine quenched, and marquenched sections of SAE 4150 and 52100.

It has been ascertained that the success of mar-

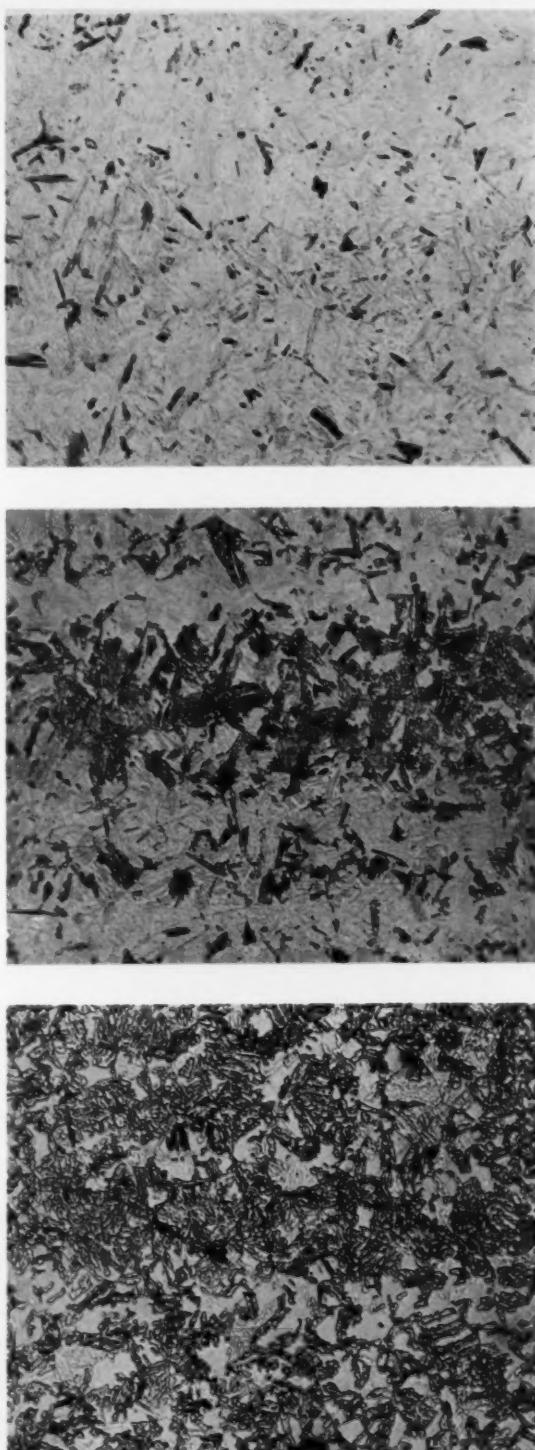


FIG. 2b. (TOP) Isotherm, 900° F.; time at isotherm, 15 seconds; transformed product, upper bainite; percent of transformation, 6.0. (CENTER) Isotherm, 900° F.; time at isotherm, 60 seconds; transformed product, upper bainite; percent of transformation, 27.0. (BOTTOM) Isotherm, 900° F.; time at isotherm, 6 days; transformed product, upper bainite; percent of transformation, 45.0.

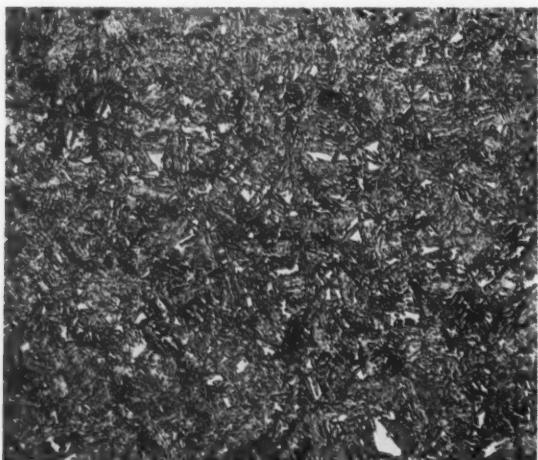
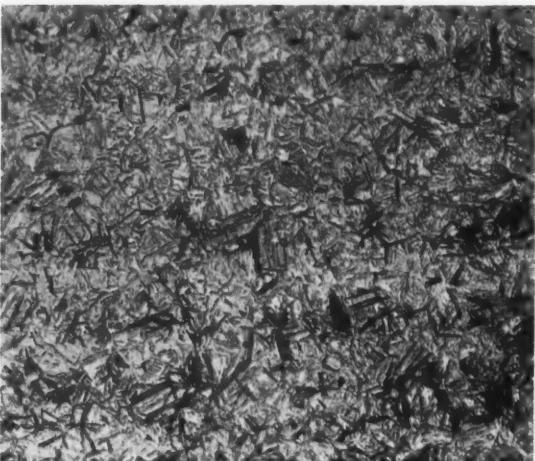
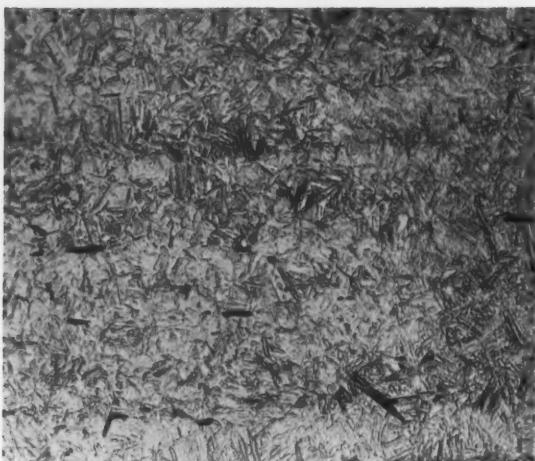


FIG. 2c. (TOP) Isotherm, 700° F.; time of isotherm, 15 seconds; transformed product, lower bainite; percent of transformation, 7.0. (CENTER) Isotherm, 700° F.; time at isotherm, 30 seconds; transformed product lower bainite; percent of transformation, 26.0. (BOTTOM) Isotherm, 700° F.; time at isotherm, 2 minutes; transformed product, lower bainite; percent of transformation, 90.0.

quenching is dependent upon a close control of the entire process. This includes austenitizing temperature and time, atmospheric protection during austenitizing, quench temperature, time of immersion and section size. It is essential that reliable equipment is used where the above controls can be realized. The austenitizing temperature is of importance since this value will determine the austenitic grain size, the degree of homogenization and the extent of carbide solution. It is essential that prior structure of the material marquenched be similar so that this variable will not influence the end result. The use of a protective atmosphere or a salt bath during the heating cycle has been cited^{1,2} since any scale that may form will subsequently act as a barrier for uniform quenching.

In regard to the temperature used for quenching, this value is usually slightly above the Ms point. However, in order to obtain greater cooling power, the temperature of the bath can be held at or slightly below the Ms point. The transformation to martensite will take place quite slowly at even 25 to 50° below the Ms so that it usually is not harmful if the transformation has started prior to the removal of the work from the bath.

Although the salt bath is the customary quenching medium for marquenching, the use of high temperature quenching oil can also be employed. In marquenching the nitrates and nitrites of the alkali metals are the salts employed and at the temperatures of 350 to 1,100° F. they are capable of flowing as freely as water and can be mechanically agitated or pumped through nozzles or apertures in fixtures to effect forced jet quenching. In a specific mar-temp oil, a flash point of 530° F. is given and claims are made that it will retain its effectiveness over long periods if adequate heat control is maintained to keep the bath temperature below 450° F. Marshall¹ has cited a marquench oil that is used in hot quenching of transmission gears, shifter rails and trunnions that are case carburized, and bushings and hinge pins that are carbonitrided—all these parts being used as tractor shovel parts. This oil, which is operated at 300° F., has a flash-point of 353° F., a fire-point of 600 to 625° F. and a viscosity of 120 SSU at 210° F. The oil is checked monthly for sludge, viscosity and any evidence of deterioration or breakdown.

Regardless of whether molten salt or hot oil is used, it is essential that sufficient agitation be provided that a uniform quench is realized. It is also essential that sufficient volume of quenching medium is available in relationship to the quantity of work that enters the quenching bath. In instances where an oil is used, the oil is frequently fortified with a wetting agent to increase quenching speeds and anti-oxidants which promote stability over long periods at elevated temperatures. The addition of water to the nitrate-nitrite salt bath will increase the quenching power as well as lowering the freezing point of the salt;^{3,4} this being added by

directing a stream of water through a small $\frac{1}{2}$ in. tube at the vortex of salt around the pump or mixer shaft. It is stated⁸ that the turbulence of the salt carries the water into the bath without spattering or hazard to operating personnel. At 400° F., for example, an addition of 1 to 2% water would evaporate in less than 24 hours. This makes it necessary to make periodic additions during the operation of the furnace. Case and White⁹ point out the well-known hazard in adding water to hot salt and recommend the addition of water to a bath only when the temperature is below 350° F. while the bath is well stirred.

The holding time in the quench bath should be sufficient to realize equalization of the temperature gradient throughout the entire section. A general rule is that the time period should be between 3 and 5 minutes per every $\frac{1}{4}$ in. of the maximum section thickness. Where thin and thick sections are to be quenched simultaneously, the time value for the heavier section should be considered.

The rate of cooling from the marquench bath to room temperature should be conducted in still air; this being particularly true of those compositions that are sensitive to cracking during martensitic transformation. The procedure of transferring parts from a salt pot directly into hot water for the removal of residual salt should be discouraged. This frequently leads to breakage in some of the higher carbon steels. It has been further stated by Aborn¹ that on a few analyses, particularly the high carbon, high alloy types of heavy section, cooling in either a furnace or in ashes is advisable to avoid cracking.

As previously stated, the temperature employed for quenching is dependent upon the chemical analysis of the material. Figure 5 gives Ms values for 14 carbon and low alloy steels. In an explanation of this chart, Aborn¹ has indicated two trends: "First and most obvious, is the influence of carbon; with increasing carbon content the martensitic range widens and is displaced to lower temperatures. Secondly, the martensitic range of triple alloy compositions, such as a chromium-nickel-molybdenum analysis, is usually lower than that

TABLE 1. Comparison of Martempering, Oil Quenching and Water Quenching of 4150 and 52100 Steels (R. A. Grange and K. G. Carroll cited by Reference 1).

Steel	Treatment***	Hardness, Rockwell C	Surface Structure		Retained Austenite**	Center Structure		Retained Austenite
			D = 1 INCH FOR 4150 D = $\frac{1}{2}$ INCHES FOR 52100			D = 1 INCH FOR 4150 D = $\frac{1}{2}$ INCHES FOR 52100		
4150	Martempered	60	99 M, Tr. B		None	58	99 M, 1 B	None
4150	Oil Quenched	61	100M		5%	59	100 M	5%
4150	Brine Quenched	65	100M		None	61	100 M	None
52100	Martempered	64	90M, 10 B		None	55	80 M, 20 B	None
52100	Oil Quenched	66	99 M, Tr. B		5%	65	99 M, 1 B	5%
52100	Brine Quenched	66	100M*		None	66	100 M	None

*Specimen cracked; M = Martensite, B = Upper Bainite.

**This method used may not indicate the presence of austenite with certainty when less than 2% is present.

***Martempering in salt at 450° F. for 5 minutes, then cooled in air. Oil quenching in oil at 170° F. Brine quenching in brine at 80° F. • Austenitizing at $1,550^{\circ}$ F. for 1 hour. All quenching baths agitated vigorously.

FIG. 3. Schematic chart illustrating relationship of the quench and temper type of hardening treatment to a typical IT diagram. The end product is tempered martensite.¹

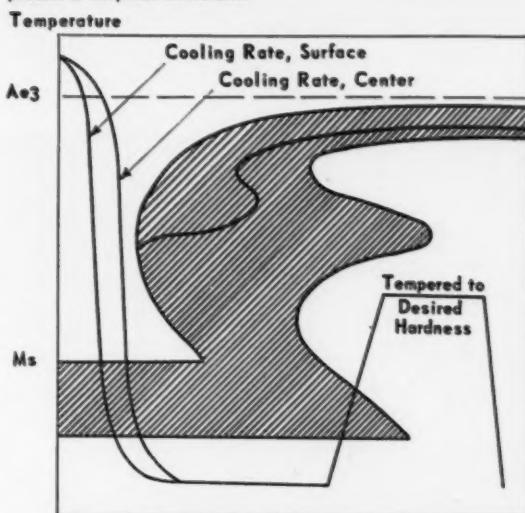


FIG. 4. Schematic chart illustrating relationship of marquenching to a typical IT diagram. The end product is tempered martensite.¹

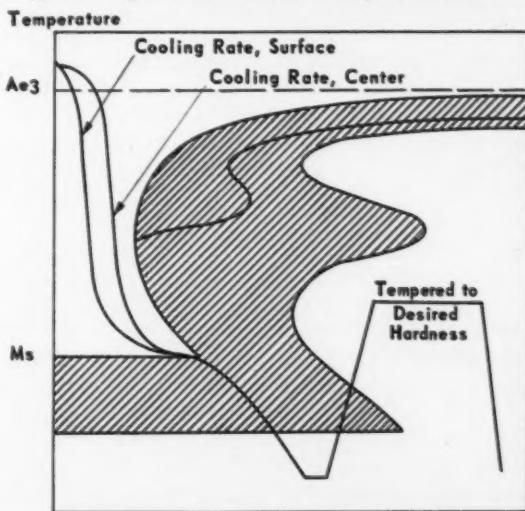


TABLE 2. Distortion and Growth Data on Tractor Shovel Parts
After Carburizing.⁴

Gears—4 to 9.5 in. pitch diameter	
MARQUEENCED	
Involute Error, Maximum	0.0003 in.
Total Tooth Spacing Error, Maximum	0.0005 in.
Bore Shrinkage.....	0.0005/0.0010 in.
Lead Error, Maximum	0.0003 in.
Bushings—2.385 O.D. x 2.031 I.D. x 1.75 inches long; SAE 1025	
MARQUEENCED	
O.D. Growth.....	0.003 in.
I.D. Growth.....	0.002 in.
Out of Round	0.0015 in.
Splined Shaft—19 inches long x 2.0 inches in Diameter; SAE 8620	
MARQUEENCED	
Camber	0.003 in.
Spacing	0.0015 in.
Shifter Rails—1.0 inches in Diameter; SAE 1411	
Standard Quench Marquenchend	
10 in. long—Camber	Oil at 140F Oil at 300F
14 in. long—Camber .....	.012-.016 in. .003 in. max.
Couplings—2.75 inches long x 1.562 inches O.D. x 0.75 inches I.D.; SAE 1025	
I.D. Growth ... .006-.009 in.	I.D. Shrink ... .001-.002 in.
Out of Round .003-.005 in.	Out of Round .0005 in.

of a single or double alloy steel of corresponding carbon content."

As with any other heat treatment, martempering is limited. The material chosen must usually contain some alloy or sufficient carbon to insure that the beginning of transformation to martensite is slowed down. Where it is desired to heat treat a carbon steel by this method, there is a limitation as to thickness, this being dependent upon the carbon content. A carbon steel containing 0.60% carbon has less than one minute of total time available before transformation starts at 550° F. This indicates that for lower carbon steels, as well as some alloy steels, there may be insufficient time in transfer of the material from furnace to hot oil. It should be remembered that retardation of transformation should be sufficient to permit an austenitized structure up to the Ms temperature at which time it enters the hot oil or salt bath.

The alloy carburizing steels respond quite satisfactorily to the marquenching process. The material being carburized to the required case depth and subsequently

quenched in hot oil or molten salt. This procedure has realized such advantages as less deformation, less retained austenite and a cleaner surface provided atmosphere protection has been given in event that a steel has had a reheat. It has also been stated⁶ that this procedure is economical since a long diffusion cycle after gas carburizing as well as difficult cleaning operations could be eliminated.

Marshall⁴ has cited the carburizing of AISI 8622H and 6120 to a case depth of 0.044 to 0.052 in. and marquenched to a hardness of Rockwell C62 to 65; the items carburized being transmission gears, shafts, trunnions, etc., used on tractor shovel parts. After a total carburizing time of 6 hours at 1,700° F., the parts are immersed in a quenching oil that is at 300° F. and held at this temperature for 5 minutes. Subsequent tempering at 340 to 375° F. for 1½ hours results in a working hardness of Rockwell C58 to 62. This procedure has reduced distortion to a point where die and fixture quenching could be eliminated on all production including large gears. Distortion and growth data for these marquenched parts are given in table 2.

Another application of a carburizing-marquenching procedure is the outboard motor crankshaft that is racked in a fixture with the entire cycle automatic. The charging end of this conveyorized set-up is illustrated in figure 6. This cycle includes: (1) carburizing for 2 hours 40 minutes at 1,760° F. to obtain a case depth of 0.035 to 0.040 inches; (2) immersion in a neutralizing wash bath for 7 minutes operating at 1,450° F.; (3) quenching in hot salt at 400° F. for a period of 7 minutes; and, (4) salt tempering at 450° F. for 2 hours 20 minutes to obtain a final hardness of Rockwell C58 to 60.° The compositions employed include SAE 4615, 3120 and occasionally 4620 and 8617. The shaft weight is 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb.

Another popular application is that of ball bearing races; the conveyorized installation is illustrated in figure 7. SAE 52100 is generally used and bearings 1½ in. section size and more are being marquenched commercially. Solid armor piercing shot of 3½ in. diameter and alloy steel castings nearly 6 in. thick are

TABLE 3. Data on a Few Tool Steels that have been Martempered.

Steel Type	Chemical Composition Percent							Austen- izing Tempera- ture F.	Transformation Data, degrees F.							
	C	Mn	Si	Cr	W	Mo	V	Ni	Ms	20%	40%	50%	80%	90%	95%	100%
1	0.60	0.70	1.85	.....	.....	0.45	0.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	0.50	.....	0.75	1.15	2.50	.....	0.20	.....	1750	600	.....	.....	450	.....	220	.....
3	0.60	0.90	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	0.45	0.55	.....	0.95	.....	.....	0.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	0.90	1.20	.....	0.50	0.50	.....	0.20	.....	1450	390	.....	350	300	200	150	.....
6	0.75	0.75	.....	0.50	.....	0.35	.....	1.75	1550	425	.....	320	300	150	100	.....
7	0.30	.....	1.00	5.00	1.25	1.35	.....	.....	1850	530	500	400	300	200	100	.....
8	0.40	.....	1.05	5.00	.....	1.35	0.35	.....	1850	520	400	300	200	100	.....	520
9	0.28	.....	1.05	3.25	9.00	.....	0.25	.....	2100	730	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	0.40	.....	1.05	5.00	.....	1.35	0.35	.....	1850	520	400	300	200	100	.....	.....
11	0.40	.....	1.05	5.00	.....	1.35	1.10	.....	1850	520	400	300	200	100	.....	.....
12	0.30	0.75	0.50	0.80	.....	0.25	.....	.....	1550	860	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	.....

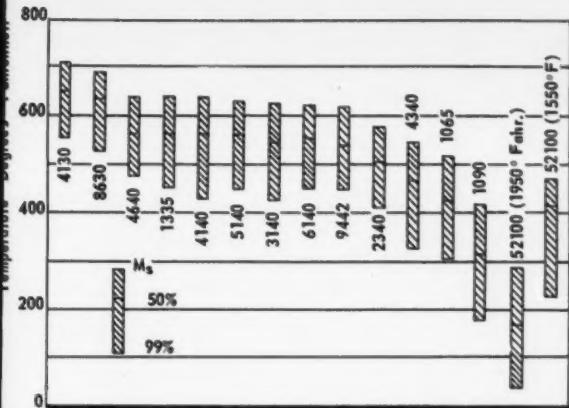


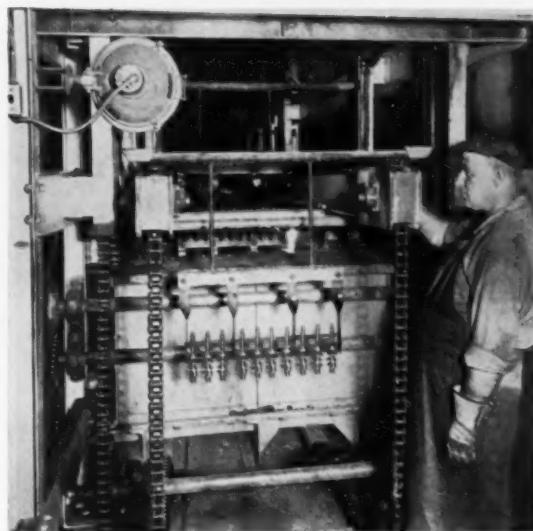
FIG. 5. Temperature range of martensite formation is 14 carbon and low alloy steels (R. A. Grange and H. M. Stewart) Quoted by Reference 1.

also typical marquenching items. Another application is in the heat treatment of the alloy tool steels, particularly on such compositions as the manganese oil hardening and some shock resisting types. This process is usually more applicable to small sections and is recommended where the repetitive nature of the work will permit the development of a practical heat treat procedure. Some of the tool steels that respond to a marquench treatment are listed in table 3.

If a marquenching procedure is employed on tool steels having a section size that would respond satisfactorily, the following procedure is recommended¹⁰: (1) heat to the austenitizing temperature; (2) quench in either hot salt or oil at 400 to 425° F.; where the Ms temperature is on the high side, as exemplified in steels 9 and 12, a salt bath is employed; (3) removal from the hot quench bath followed by air cooling to about 150° F.; and, (4) temper immediately to the desired hardness. It has also been stated that any section size which cannot be adequately cooled in 10 minutes should not be marquenched.

Ajax Electric Company has given an interesting cycle in marquenching a high manganese oil hardening steel that has been made into punches and dies. The treatment consisted of (1) preheating at 1,300° F. for 20 minutes; (2) transfer to the hardening furnace at 1,440° F.; (3) quench 50° F. below the Ms in hot salt containing 2 to 4% water with the holding period being 10 minutes; (4) cool in still air; and, (5) temper at 325 to 350° F. to the desired hardness. Where the design is rather complicated, it is advised that the punch be placed in the mating die that has been heated to 200° F. and the pair then air cooled to room temperature. As the punch and die combination cools, the punch becomes wedged tightly in the die cavity. This controls distortion and expansion almost 100%. In the tempering process, the necessary shrinkage of the punch is realized to permit easy removal of the punch from the die.

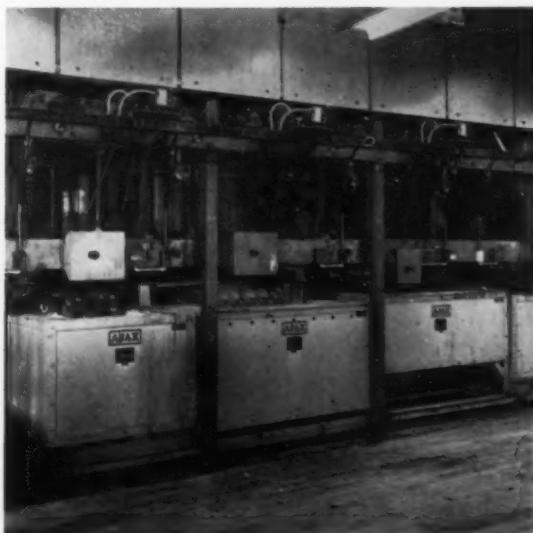
Austempering. This is a hardening process that is



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FIG. 6. Charging end of conveyorized electric salt bath carburizing furnace with ten outboard motor crankshafts rocked in fixture ready to start on automatic heat treat cycle.

FIG. 7. Martempering ball bearing races (SAE 52100) in a Jack-robit type mechanized salt bath.



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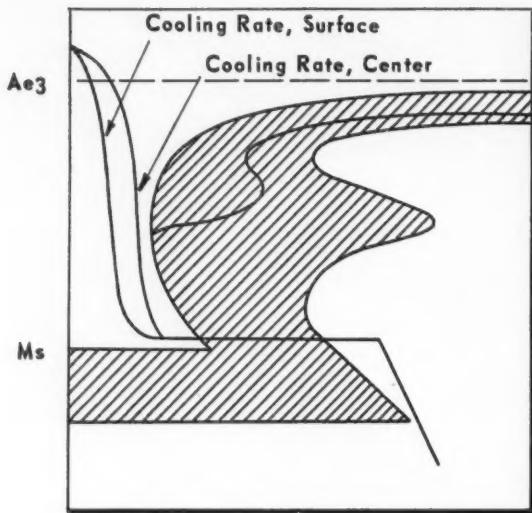


FIG. 8. Schematic chart illustrating relationship of austempering to a typical IT diagram. The end product is bainite.⁶

based on the isothermal transformation of austenite to bainite. This type of treatment, which is illustrated schematically in figure 8, consists of austenitizing, quenching to temperature above the Ms point within the lower bainite range, held at this temperature for a sufficient length of time to obtain complete transformation and then air cooling. Depending upon the transformational characteristics of the steel involved, the temperature range at which lower bainite will form may be from 500 to 700° F. Since this transformation occurs at a relatively high temperature and proceeds rather slowly at the selected isotherm, the stress level after transformation is rather low and distortion is held to a minimum.

The austempered hardness will vary in accordance to the isotherm that is selected. As the transformation of the austenite to bainite reaction approaches the Ms temperature, the harder will be the "as quenched" hardness. As in marquenching, a prerequisite is that the steel contain some alloy to slow down the beginning of transformation. Carbon steels, in which the carbon content is 0.60% and over, are usually limited to thin sections to realize response to an austempering treatment.

Mehrkar⁶ mentions both the two-step and three-step austempering cycle; the former procedure being the standard austenitization followed by direct quenching in hot salt at the selected isotherm. The three-step method is a modification in that a lower quench temperature is used to increase the rate of cooling. The work is then transferred to a draw furnace, which is operating at a higher temperature, to complete the

TABLE 4. Examples of Short Time Annealing Cycles Based on Isothermal Transformation.³

Grade	Approximate Composition, Percent						W	V	Austenitizing		Transformation		B.H.N. After Anneal
	C	Mn	Si	Ni	Cr	Mo			Deg. F.	Time Hours	Deg. F.	Time Hours	
Maxel 3½	0.50	1.00	0.20	.....	0.50	0.15	.....	.....	1390	2	1300	4	179/197
4042	0.45	0.90	0.25	.....	.....	0.25	.....	.....	1500	2	1250	2	179
8620, 8720	0.18	0.85	0.20	0.55	0.50	0.25	.....	.....	1600	1	1250	2	143
4132-4160	0.30	0.85	0.25	.....	1.00	0.25	.....	.....	1425	2	1300	2	170/192
to 0.60													
3130-3150	0.30	0.80	0.25	1.20	0.70	.....	.....	.....	1425	2	1250	2	163/174
3240	0.45	0.50	0.25	1.80	1.00	.....	.....	.....	1425	2	1260	2	187/192
4320-4342	0.20	0.70	0.25	1.80	0.80	0.25	.....	.....	1425	2	1210	8	163/235
4640	0.40	0.70	0.25	1.80	.....	0.25	.....	.....	1370	2	1210	12	187
6150	0.50	0.80	0.25	1.00	.....	.....	0.20	1425	2	1310	4	192	
9260	0.60	0.90	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1450	2	1360	4	212	
Tool Steel	0.80	0.25	0.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	1410	2	1330	3	174/187	
52100	1.05	0.30	0.25	.....	1.40	.....	.....	.....	1440	4	1340	4	197/207
High C, High Cr	1.50	0.25	0.40	.....	11.5	0.50	.....	0.25	1700	2	1430	4	223
High Speed	0.75	0.30	0.30	.....	4.00	.....	18.0	1.00	1650	2	1400	4	255
High Speed	0.85	0.30	0.30	.....	4.00	4.50	5.50	1.30	1650	2	1400	4	217
Lo Cro 46 Mo	0.10	0.40	0.30	.....	4.50	0.50	.....	.....	1550	2	1390	2	134/143
Stainless	0.10	0.40	0.25	.....	12.0	.....	.....	.....	1650	2	1310	3	137/152
Stainless	0.60	0.30	0.25	.....	16.5	.....	.....	.....	Preheat 1400, 1650	2	1370	3	197/248

transformation to higher temperature bainite. The basic advantage of this method is the utilization of the high quenching power of a comparatively low temperature quench, and yet transforming the structure to a tough bainitic structure.

Austempering is usually used for small, thin parts where the hardness requirement is between Rockwell C35 and C50 and where toughness, or, the ability to bend without breaking is a requirement. Typical applications would include shoe shanks, typewriter parts, electric shaver blades, springs, sewing machine parts, automobile bumpers, open end and socket wrenches, pliers, lawn mower blades and small gears.

Specific examples of austempering cycles would include lawn mower blades made from AISI 1065. The blades are heated in salt at $1,550^{\circ}$ F. for 6 minutes, quenching in hot salt at 475° F. for a 6 minute hold period, air cooled and washed. The resultant hardness is Rockwell C48 to C52. Another example is that of cast iron cylinder liners¹² austempered to a hardness of Rockwell C45 to C55. The cycle consists of a pre-heat at $1,440^{\circ}$ F., austenitized at $1,580^{\circ}$ F., isothermal quenched at 400° F., drawn at 425° F., air cooled and washed. A cycle of a low chromium boron type steel, AISI 50B44, consists of austenitizing at $1,550^{\circ}$ F. for 15 minutes, quenching in hot salt at 500° F. for 15 minutes, tempered at 800° F. for 30 minutes, washed and rinsed. This entire cycle is performed on automatic "jack rabbit" type of salt bath furnace with the total time being at 75 minutes. The final hardness of this material, which was made into adjustable wrench bodies, was at Rockwell C49.

In regard to the quenching medium employed, the same precautions as to agitation, sufficient volume of quenching medium in relation to the mass of material quenched, etc. that were discussed under marquenching are equally true for austempering operations.

Cyclic Annealing. Fundamentally, an annealing treatment has as its prime purpose the softening of a steel which can be achieved in several ways. However, in many instances, a specific treatment is required to obtain other characteristics. The standard annealing practice, which is schematically illustrated in figure 9, consists of austenitizing at a temperature above the Ac_3 temperature followed by a controlled cooling which is sufficiently slow to produce the desired structure of ferrite and pearlite. The term "controlled cooling" may mean instrument control at a predetermined rate in degrees per hour, or it may mean the cooling of a charge within the furnace at a rate which is characteristic for the specific furnace with a known load. This cycle is most frequently used either to produce a certain microstructure, hardness, or a combination of both.

This type of anneal is often termed a "recrystallization" treatment as compared to the stress relief anneal that is performed at some sub-critical temperature, usually below the Ac_1 temperature. As its name implies, this type of treatment is used to relieve stresses that have been realized during cold work. The rate of

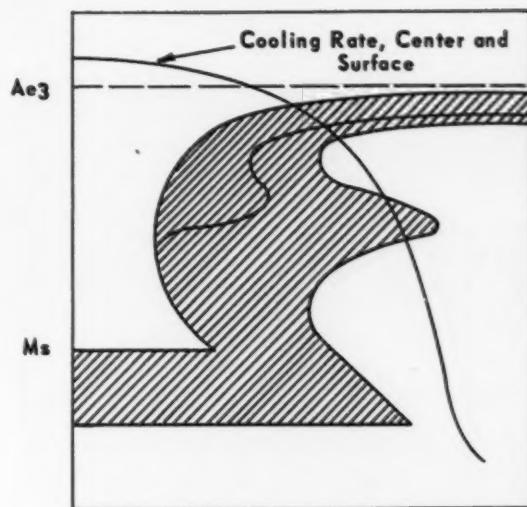


FIG. 9. Schematic chart illustrating relationship of the conventional annealing cycle to a typical IT diagram. The end product is ferrite and pearlite.⁶

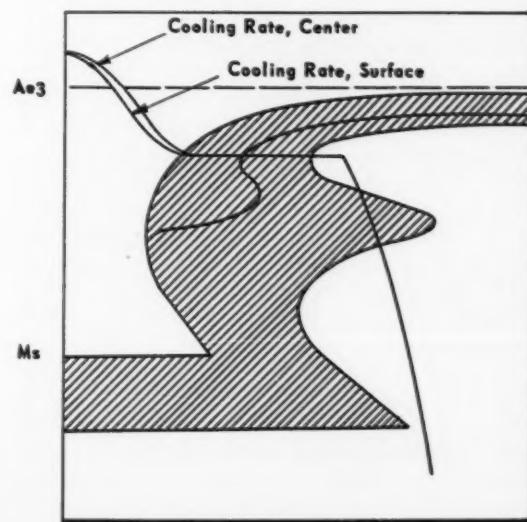


FIG. 10. Schematic chart illustrating relationship of isothermal annealing cycle to a typical IT diagram. The end product is ferrite and pearlite.⁶

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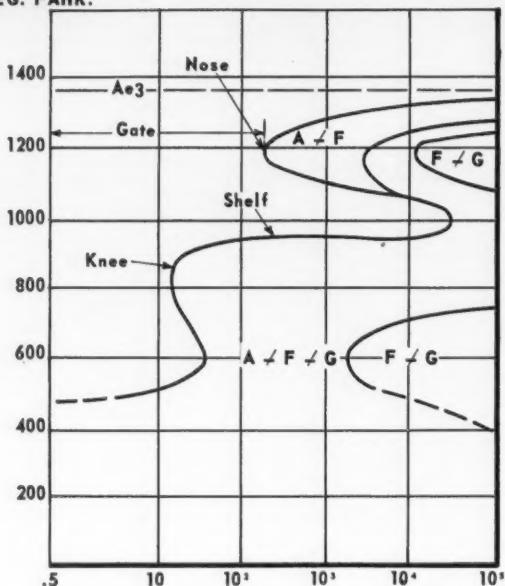


FIG. 11. Isothermal Transformation Diagram for 4340 (15)

cooling from this sub-critical temperature has practically no effect on either the hardness or the microstructure since no metallurgical change occurs during the cooling phase.

However, in some instances, particularly with medium to high carbon alloy steels, the conventional recrystallization anneal is not very satisfactory due to the necessity of obtaining either a partial or full spheroidization of the carbides for the purpose of machinability. This had led to the development of an anneal which consisted of heat to a temperature just below the lower critical point (A_{c1}) which resulted in a very satisfactory spheroidal structure. This type of treatment is essentially an isothermal annealing treatment, although at the time of its development, the mechanism of isothermal transformation was not completely understood.

Upon introduction of the isothermal diagram, which resulted in the production of diagrams of many types of steels, it was observed that there was a pronounced minimum in the "end of transformation" at relatively high temperatures in many of the existing diagrams. On the assumption that the transformed product at this temperature is satisfactory, advantage may be taken of this fact in the design of a short annealing cycle. This was particularly attractive since at that time the standard annealing cycle for many medium and high allow steels was quite long due to the necessity for rather slow, controlled cooling rates employed to obtain either the desired microstructure or hardness. This short annealing cycle became a reality for many types of steels and the procedure employed, which is

schematically illustrated in figure 10, consisted of heating to a pre-determined austenitizing temperature followed by a rapid cooling to the desired isotherm in which the austenite transformed to a combination of ferrite and pearlite. The rate of cooling after transformation had been completed was not of importance.

As in any other operational heat treatment, success of the annealing treatment was dependent on the selection of a proper temperature to obtain austenite and the transformation to the desired microstructure in a minimum of time. The more carefully these two factors were controlled, the more successful would be the annealing treatment. In considering the relationship of these two factors to microstructure, a series of rules has been formulated by Payson⁵ which should be observed when planning an isothermal annealing treatment. These rules can be given briefly, thus:

1. The higher the austenitizing temperature, the greater is the tendency for the structure of the annealed steel to be lamellar, whereas, the closer the austenitizing temperature is to the critical temperature, the greater is the tendency for the structure of the annealed steel to be spheroidal.
2. To develop the softest condition in steel, austenitize at a temperature usually less than 100° F. over the critical, and transform at a temperature usually less than 100° F. below the critical.
3. Since the time for complete transformation at temperatures less than 100° F. below the critical may be quite long, allow most of the transformation to take place at the higher temperature where a soft product is formed. Complete the transformation at a lower temperature where the time for completion of transformation is short.
4. After the steel has been austenitized, cool as rapidly as feasible to the transformation temperature in order to decrease the total time of the annealing operation.
5. After transformation has been completed, cool as

TABLE 5. Typical cycles.¹⁶

Typical Steels	Cycle A 8620, 4620	Cycle B 4817, 4820
Zone 1—Heating	Heat from cold to 1750° F. in 3 hours.	Heat from cold to 1750° F. in 3 hours.
Zone 2—Holding	Soak at 1750° F. for 2.33 hours.	Soak at 1750° F. for 2.33 hours.
Zone 3—Superfast Cool	Cool from 1750 to 1300° F. in 20 to 30 minutes. Hold for remainder of pushing cycle.	By Pass
Zone 4—Fast Cooling	Cool from 1300 to 1200° F. in 3 hours.	Cool from 1,700 to 1,100° F. in 2 hours.
Zone 5—Slow Cooling	Cool from 1200 to 900° F. or lower in 5 hours.	Cool from 1100 to 600° F. in 6 hours.
Total Time	14 hours	13.33 hours

rapidly as possible in order to decrease the time of the annealing operation.

6. In hypoeutectoid steels, as well as other low alloy, medium carbon steels, preheat the steel for several hours at a temperature about 50° F. below the critical prior to austenitization and proceed as per usual. This will assure a minimum of lamellar pearlite in the structure of the annealed material.

7. To obtain a minimum hardness in annealed hyper-eutectoid alloy tool steels, heat the steel for a long time, about 10 to 15 hours, at the austenitizing temperature, and transform as usual.

In the establishment of a cyclic annealing treatment, it should be sufficiently broad to cover the variations that are found in commercial heats of the same material; this may require some experimentation as was the case in obtaining an annealing treatment for Rex AA tool steel.⁸ Thus, on the basis of experimentation in obtaining a maximum 241 Brinell on this material, the following cycle was recommended: (1) austenitize at 1,650° F.; (2) reduce temperature as quickly as possible to 1,470° F. and hold 3 hours; (3) lower the temperature to 1,450° F. and hold for 3 hours; (4) cool in furnace to 1,425° F.; and, (5) finish cool in air. As a result of Payson's work,⁹ table 4 is given which includes alloy constructional steels of different compositions, tool steels and hardenable stainless. The basis on which these cycles were established was the minimum time to produce a structure that is of a reasonable hardness level — about 200 Brinell.

Relatively few heat treating plants have the proper equipment to permit a rapid cool of an annealing charge from the austenitizing temperature to the selected isotherm where transformation to the desired structure occurs. In addition, other difficulties such as furnace construction, method of heating or an inadequacy of control equipment may be present. Even though these variables may influence a heat treater to forget isothermal annealing, it still may be possible to employ a modified isothermal technique even with rudimentary equipment and still obtain a product within the desired reasonable hardness level — about 200 Brinell.

As an example, Republic¹⁰ has presented the following problem in the isothermal annealing of SAE 4340 in a furnace that may have a 50° F. differential between the indicated furnace temperature and the coldest portion of the load. The desired maximum hardness is at 223 Brinell. According to figure 11, the effective transformation range lies between 1,250° and 1,100° F. with the time at 3 and 14 hours respectively. The time during which the load is above 1,250° F. can be disregarded since very little effective transformation occurs above this temperature. Likewise, austenite that may exist below 1,100° F. will remain untransformed almost indefinitely. Thus, it is essential to have every portion of the load through the range of 1,250° and 1,100° F. Although the diagram indicates that if the load was held at 1,200° F. for a minimum of 3

hours, transformation would be complete, in commercial practice, to provide a safety factor, the time should be at least twice that of the minimum time, which in this case would be 6 hours.

After the charge has been austenitized at 1,425° F., it is cooled to 1,275° F. and held until the load has equalized in temperature. At this point, under the conditions of this example, the true furnace temperature could be 1,300° F and the minimum temperature of the load at 1,250° F. According to the diagram, all portions of the load should by this time begin to transform. By the time the charge has been cooled to and equalized at 1,275° F. more than two hours have elapsed. It is now safe to assume that austenitic transformation is progressing in all parts of the load and after the required time at the isotherm, which is a minimum of 6 hours, even though a drop of temperature of 20° per hour is experienced over this minimum holding time, it still will be within the range for isothermal transformation to the desired structure. Resulting hardness will be approximately 200 Brinell.

SAE 4800 series compositions have completion curves lying so far out of the time scale that these types are commercially uneconomical to anneal by conventional methods. They can, however, be annealed¹¹ to a reasonable machining hardness with the use of the isothermal curves. Thus, as indicated by the isothermal curves, transformation will proceed quite rapidly just below the knee of the curve. The temperature at this point is about 800° F. If the steel is quenched at this isotherm and held for the specified time for complete transformation, the resultant hardness will be roughly between 300 and 400 Brinell. If, however, after transformation at 800° F. is complete or almost completed, the temperature of the steel is raised to 1,200° F., coalescence and spheroidization of carbides will begin immediately. This spheroidization treatment, which should not be developed at temperatures higher than 1,200° F., will give a satisfactory machining hardness.¹² The time variance, from 12 to 24 hours, depends upon the specific requirements.

Where isothermal annealing is contemplated, special furnace designs are recommended. Alban and Bates¹³ have disclosed such an installation in which a zoned roller rail, continuous furnace is used for annealing gear forgings of a wide range of sizes and shapes. Typical annealing cycles are given in table 5. Residual heat of forgings as they come from either the press or hammer is used to advantage. These hot forgings, which are still above the upper critical temperature, are quenched in agitated salt at a subcritical temperature which may vary from 1,150 to 1,250° F., and, after a comparatively short time, transformation to the desired structure is realized. The forgings are then water quenched to remove the scale. To obtain a relatively soft, uniform structure, it is essential that the forging be of simple design to assure that all parts are

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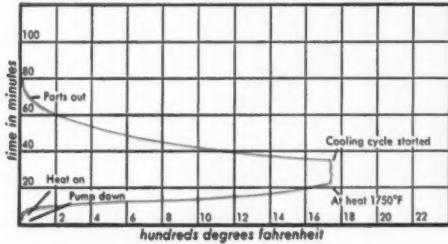


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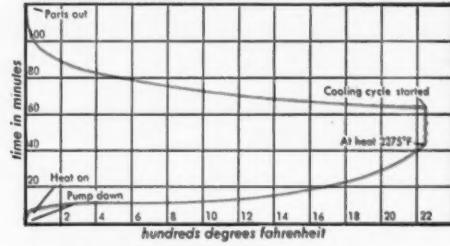
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A NEW METHOD FOR BRAZING

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CASE REPORT

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FOR MANY YEARS, in the high temperature brazing of aluminum and magnesium, there has existed a problem in that the brazing alloy melts very close to the melting point of the parent metal. Aluminum and magnesium alloys melt close to 1,200 F. In most cases a temperature differential of only 100 F. or less exists between the brazing alloy and the materials to be brazed. This introduces a very severe problem in temperature control in order to obtain satisfactory flow of the alloy with no damage to the metals being bonded.

In order to perform such a braze, it has been customary in the past to use very closely controlled furnaces or very highly skilled operators. In torch brazing work, the operator has no signal other than considerable skill in determining when he is near the melting point of the parent metal. These materials, at the brazing temperature, give no noticeable color indications in normal light.

Furnace brazing has been the basic method used to perform aluminum and magnesium brazes; however many drawbacks are present, several of these being that the furnace is large, the initial cost is high, the operating cost is high and the entire work piece heated. One other method of brazing has been used on occasion, and this is induction heating. However, this has never attained acceptance because of the difficulty of obtaining complete uniformity of temperature in the brazed area.

With the foregoing facts in mind, the New Rochelle Tool Corporation of New Rochelle, New York, has developed a complete new and unique type of heat source for brazing metals in which very close temperature control is required. Usually close temperature control implies a low rate of power input to the object. It is uncommon to have very accurate temperature control and very high rates of power input to the work being brazed.

With this new method these two important factors are combined, giving a source of heat which is accurate in temperature (on the order of plus or minus 5 F.), and with which high rates of power input to the material being brazed can be realized. This new method is fully covered by patents.

Fundamentally the so-called Thermoduction method consists in the pumping of heated liquids through metal dies, designed for the particular application, which contact the work being brazed. A schematic drawing of a typical unit is shown in figure 1. The basic heat source, which might be called a heat sump, is an electrically heated tank which is thoroughly insulated. The temperature of a liquid in the tank is held to a close pre-set value; a typical working temperature for aluminum would be 1,170 F. plus or minus 5 F. Temperature control of the liquid is by conventional thermocouple instruments controlling the electric power input. Mounted in the tank of liquid (which shows a dull red heat) is a specially built water-cooled centrifugal pump which will pump the liquid out of the tank into stainless steel or similar metal pipes which carry the liquid to blocks of Inconel or other suitable material. The liquid passes through the blocks and then returns to the tank.

The flow is at a rate of 5 to 50 GPM and, with a liquid with a specific heat of 0.2 and a density on the order of 100 pounds per cubic foot, a high rate of energy is brought to the metal blocks from which it is to be transferred to the work piece. These metal blocks are called Thermoductor blocks. With the liquid circulating through the piping and blocks, the whole system is at very accurate temperature and anything that is brought into contact with the blocks can extract heat from them without any possibility of having an over-temperature condition exist. Since both aluminum and magnesium are very good thermal conductors, heat flow from the Thermoductor block to the aluminum, and through the aluminum to the brazing alloy is good.

In a typical operation where a lap joint is to be considered, the joint is prepared in the usual way by coating with brazing flux and placing a shim of brazing alloy in place, or using commercially available sheet already coated with brazing alloy. The two pieces to be brazed are placed between the two heated blocks, which can be shaped to suit any special contours of the object. Figure 2 shows a lap joint in position for brazing. The two blocks are brought together with light pressure on the aluminum. On 16-gauge aluminum the braze takes place in less than 30 seconds. After the alloy has flowed, the blocks are raised slightly and the work removed. With flow rates on the order of 5 to 50 GPM, there is an insignificant temperature differential between the liquid entering the system and that returning to the tank; this of course makes for excellent temperature control with high rates of heat transfer.

A brazing unit of this type can be used to deliver quick shots of high power to a large braze area with a

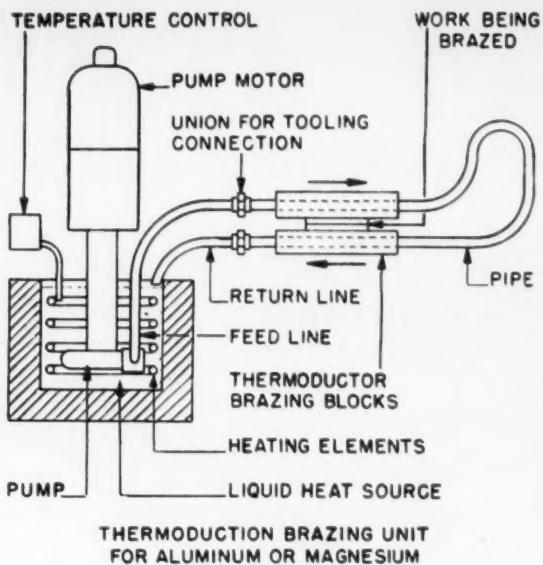


Fig. 1 - Pumped Liquid Brazing Unit for Aluminum or Magnesium.

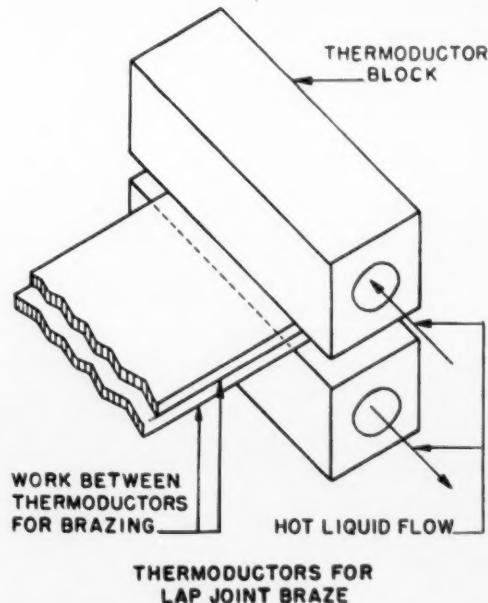


Fig. 2 - Heat Transfer Blocks for Lap Joint Braze.

low average power input since the tank can store large quantities of heat between brazes. This might be likened to a tank of water which is being filled with a trickle, but from which large quantities of water can be dumped periodically.

Work Removal

In handling the work, in many cases it is permissible to remove the object with the brazing alloy in the liquid state and let it solidify after removal. In other cases, it is essential that the object be removed from the blocks with the alloy in a solid state. This usually is reasonably easy to accomplish by having a set of water-cooled chill blocks immediately adjacent to the heated blocks. These are shown in figure 3. With the Thermoductor blocks in contact with the object, and the alloy in a liquid state, the chill blocks are brought against the work. Aluminum having a high thermal conductivity, a very small temperature drop in the joint solidifies the alloy and, in a few seconds, the blocks can be released from the work piece and the object removed with the alloy in a solid state. It is allowed to cool to room temperature in air, and may subsequently have the flux removed by hot water washes or acid dips.

By the use of this method, brazing can be done on a large variety of objects, and in many cases instead of heating the whole object, only the local area to be brazed is heated to brazing temperature. This, of course, produces less distortion and discoloration problems and improves the metallurgy over other methods by reduction of the annealed area.

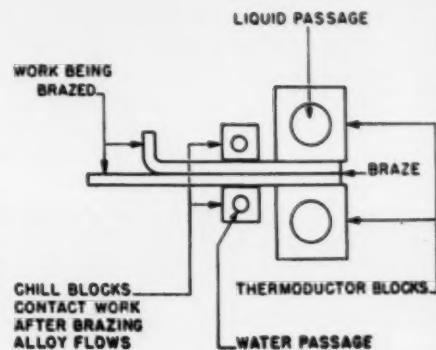
Typical Operation

The described method is not a cure-all for all types of aluminum or magnesium joints; however, there are a large variety of conventional joints which can be made easily and simply. For example, long straight lapped joints in sheets are an excellent application. It is quite practical to make a $\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide lapped joint in aluminum sheet with a length of 50 feet, the whole braze taking place in less than one minute. In this case there would be multiple pumped sources of heat along the 50-foot length supplying the heat blocks.

Brazing a tube to a sheet is another practical and interesting joint which can be made by the process. In this case a sheet of aluminum, which might be 6 feet long and 2 feet wide, has placed upon it a serpentine $\frac{3}{8}$ in. tube. Special formed alloy shim can be placed underneath the tube; the whole is placed between two large flat thermoductor blocks and the blocks brought together with one contacting the lower sheet and the other contacting the top of the tube. There is enough thermal transfer to produce a braze of this type in approximately two minutes. During the brazing operation the tube is held in intimate contact with the sheet and a beautiful fillet is produced between the tube and the sheet.

Circular lapped joints are quite practical. For exam-

Fig. 3 -
Method for
Chilling
Brazed
Joints.



ple, two tubes, one fitting inside the other in the form of a sleeve joint, can be quite easily brazed by having the blocks formed in two semicircles which are brought as a clamp against the object around the outside. The shapes and types of joints are only limited by the ability to form a hollow block and bring it in reasonably intimate contact with the area being brazed.

Other typical joints of interest in this field are the brazing of an aluminum sheathed imbedded resistance heater to the bottom of a coffee pot or a deep fat fryer. In this case, a shaped block goes up inside the pot, and a flat heated block is brought against the resistance heater on the outside, the alloy, of course, having been pre-placed. A braze of this type takes approximately one minute and a number can be done at the same time on one pumped heat source.

Equipment

This New Rochelle Tool Corporation equipment is built on the basic philosophy that there should be a general purpose heat source which can be connected to operate a variety of specially tooled Thermoductor blocks and fixtures. The equipment itself is in a cabinet which houses the tank, pump and some of the temperature-control equipment. On the side of the cabinet there are two stainless steel pipe unions to which specially built heating blocks, with their associated piping, can be attached in a relatively short time. The system is heated and the pump started, which passes the liquid through the piping and the blocks. They come to temperature in less than a minute and are then ready for operation. All of the exposed non-working surfaces of the piping and blocks are covered with insulation in order to reduce heat losses and make it comfortable for the operator.

The clamping arrangement which brings the Thermoductor block or blocks into contact with the work, can be manual or air-operated with automatic time control. In arranging the pressure devices, which close the heated blocks, care must be taken to see that excess pressure does not extrude the heated aluminum. This

is most easily accomplished by having mechanical stops which limit the amount of movement in the heating blocks. Pressure applied to the brazed joint should be kept as low as is consistent with having good heat transfer from the block face to the work piece; usually it is only one or two pounds per square inch.

Figure 4 shows an experimental 25 kw unit setup for brazing lap and tube to sheet joints.

Equipment can be built in 25 kw, 50 kw and larger units. The power rating represents the maximum power entering the heat sump. The average power consumption is considerably less than full rating since the thermal losses from the system are minimized by proper insulation. The full power input is utilized during the start-up period and when large quantities of heat are extracted from the brazing blocks.

Work Handling

In handling work a large variety of fixtures are used. For example, in brazing a tube to a sheet, the sheet with pre-placed alloy and tube are assembled on a separate handling sheet. The handling sheet, together with the parts to be brazed, are placed between the heated blocks and the blocks closed. As soon as the alloy is melted and has flowed into place, the upper block is raised and a second cold handling sheet is placed over the serpentine tube which has molten alloy between it and its associated base sheet. The complete sandwich, consisting of an upper hold-down sheet, the two parts being brazed and the lower handling sheet, is then removed from the blocks. The upper hold-down sheet, of course, performs the function of holding the rather lengthy tube in intimate contact with its sheet during the chilling period.

A New Rochelle Tool Corporation 50 kw unit costs approximately one fourth of the equivalent temperature controlled furnace and occupies a very much smaller floor space, being, exclusive of tooling, approximately 6 feet by 6 feet.

Brazes are performed at high speed, most of them taking less than one minute. In many cases, multiple units can be brazed simultaneously. Selected heating of the part can be accomplished if the Thermoelectric blocks can be designed to contact only the portion to be brazed. This, of course, is not possible for furnace brazing. The joints in most cases are made under slight pressure. For example, in a flat lapped joint, the two blocks braze the two pieces of metal under pressure, and therefore thin out the alloy giving a stronger joint than one in which there is a considerable thickness of alloy.

The unit is simple in operation and can use unskilled labor to produce highly complicated joints. The operating cost is considerably less than the equivalent furnace, since the area from which heat losses can occur is low and, in many cases, only a part of the work is heated instead of the whole.

One important facet of this type of unit is that it

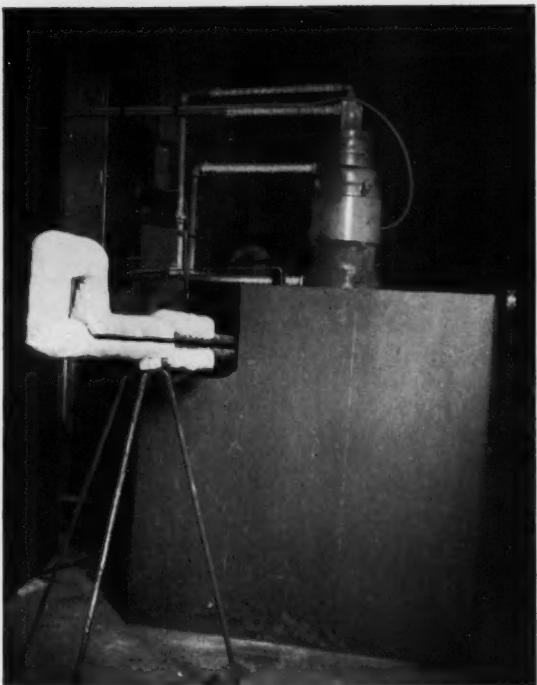
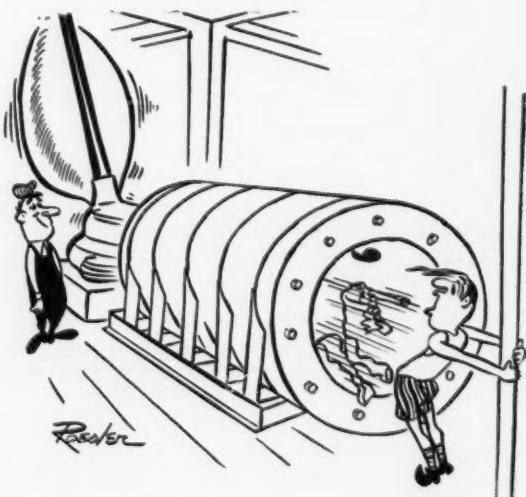


FIG. 4. Experimental 25 Kw pumped liquid brazing setup.

can be placed in a production line operation as a complete entity. It does not require an elaborate furnace layout.

Compared to torch brazing, the number of rejects is reduced immeasurably since there is no possibility of any over-temperature which can damage the parent metal. Any of the aluminum and magnesium alloys, which can be brazed by conventional means, can be brazed as well or better by this new method using conventional alloys and fluxes. • • •



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Without the right type of quenching oil properly used, the parts might not meet the specifications established by customers. Uniform hardness and freedom from cracks are essential.

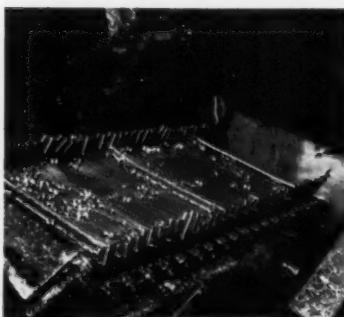


FIG. 1. Shown here is a typical batch of spring clips emerging from the quench tank at the discharge end of the furnace.

After considerable experimentation the company began using Gulf Super Quench. For the steels used and the type of parts treated, this oil has helped achieve deeper, more uniform hardening. It has a high initial quenching speed and ap-

parently produces less distortion in high hardenability steels of varied sections and shapes.



FIG. 2. The most critical production problem in making tiny spring clips like these is to give them the proper, customer-specified hardness without developing hairline cracks in the sharp bends. Proper quenching procedure, using Gulf Super-Quench, has resulted in uniform production, fewer rejects.

The heat treating line consists of two controlled atmosphere American Gas Furnaces, two Lindberg gas-fired drawing furnaces, and wash tanks. The small parts are fed continuously into the shaker-hearth furnaces. Most of the parts are introduced into the first zone, which is held at 1,475 F. The middle and end zones of the furnaces are maintained at 1,500 F. Quenching oil is not pre-heated because parts supply sufficient heat to keep the oil at the desired temperature of 125 F. Circulating the oil from an external storage tank provides sufficient agitation in the quench tank.

In this continuous process parts are subjected to a heating cycle of 5 to 10 minutes before being dropped into the quenching oil, from which they are continuously removed by a steel mesh endless belt. After quenching, the parts are washed and then drawn to the hardness specified. Drawing is usually done from 650 F. to 750 F. Rockwell hardness of 58-60 is secured regularly.

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About People.....

Alloy Sales Manager

L. John Harwood has been appointed sales manager by Alloy Steel Casting Company, Southampton, Pennsylvania. Mr. Harwood's previous foundry experience has been with Electro-Alloys, a division



L. John
Harwood

of American Brake Shoe Company, and the Midvale Company.

He attended Rutgers and Penn State Universities and is a member of the American Society for Abrasives.

Thermo Electric Branch

Thermo Electric Company, Inc., Saddle Brook, New Jersey, manufacturers and designers of temperature measuring systems, thermocouples and accessories has opened a new factory office to service Southern California.

The new Thermo Electric office, located at 19458 Ventura Blvd., Tarzana, California, will be managed by Joseph J. Ghiglia, formerly with the Saddle Brook home office.

New ASM Manager

Appointment of T. C. DuMond as Manager, National and Regional Metal Congresses, American Society for Metals, has been announced by Allan Ray Putnam, managing director of the Society.

DuMond has also been appointed director, membership and chapter

relations, confirming a responsibility he has held for a number of months. He will provide liaison, counsel and direction from ASM headquarters to the Society's 31,500 members in 112 Chapters throughout the United States and Canada.

In his Metal Congress function, he will work with national ASM committees in selecting subjects and titles for papers, panels and symposia, and in obtaining authors, speakers and session chairmen. He will also work with members of other societies including the Metal Treating Institute, to coordinate their technical programs with the ASM Metal Congresses.



T. C.
DuMond

As editor of *ASM Transactions*, the annual record of scientific papers presented at the Metal Congresses, DuMond works with the national ASM Transactions Committee in publishing outstanding papers. He is also editor of *Metals Review*, the news-digest monthly for ASM members.

Changes at Heathbath

Kenneth J. Cave has been appointed technical sales representative for Heathbath Corp. His territory will cover Southern Ohio and West Virginia.

Ken is a graduate of Notre Dame University and was formerly associated with Oakite Products. In his new capacity he will handle sales of

the firm's complete line of metal finishing and heat treating products. Ken's headquarters will be Columbus, Ohio.

Heathbath has also announced the promotion of Pete Petroff to the home office, Springfield, Massachusetts. Petroff has assumed duties as eastern district sales supervisor.

Information Director

A reorganization of public relations functions and the creation of two new divisions, information services and community services, has been announced by Joel Hunter, President, Crucible Steel Company of America.

Michael Stumm, manager of advertising and promotion for Crucible since 1948, has been appointed director of information services. Leo J. Murphy, formerly manager of public relations, has been named manager of community services.

Before joining Crucible, Stumm was director of public service for the



Michael
Stumm

Miami Daily News and Station WIOD in Miami, Florida.

In addition to his present function, Stumm will be responsible for distribution of information to the press and public in the areas of commercial, production, technical and financial activities. His unit will serve as contact for the national press, radio and television in these areas.

Horak to Sales Post at Pacific Scientific

Richard F. Horak has been appointed manager of the new Pacific Scientific Company sales office at Denver, according to Charles H. Webber, executive vice-president.

The new sales-service office was opened to serve the rapidly growing aircraft, missile, and manufacturing industries in Colorado, Utah and Wyoming. The activity will cover a



Richard F.
Horak

full line of aircraft and missile components, including items of flight safety accessories and electro-mechanical components, as well as heat treating furnaces and physical testing equipment.

Stanwood Corp Rep

The H. J. Gillis Company, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey has been appointed representative for northern New Jersey and metropolitan New York by the Stanwood Corp., Chicago to handle their line of baskets, trays, carburizing boxes, retorts, pots, special fixtures, and other heat treating equipment and parts for furnaces.

GE Promotions

Lewis G. Zirkle has been appointed manager of manufacturing for heat processing equipment by the General Electric Company's industrial heating department, Shelbyville, Indiana.

In his position, Zirkle will have responsibility for the manufacturing and assembling of all heat process-

ing equipment and controls in the industrial heating plant.

James E. Wilson has been appointed manager of special heat processing for General Electric's industrial heating department at the firm's Shelbyville plant.

Wilson will succeed Richard A. Schaus, who has been named manager of fuel processing engineering for the company's atomic power equipment department at San Jose, California. Prior to his appointment at the Industrial Heating Department, Wilson was manager of advanced chamber materials engineering at General Electric's Rocket Engine Section, Evendale, Ohio.

Caterson Technical Editor

Michael Stumm, director of information services, announced that Alan G. Caterson has been appointed technical editor in Crucible Steel Company's newly created department. He was formerly supervisor of market development in the Titanium Division of the company's



Alan G.
Caterson

Midland, Pennsylvania works. He also edited the *Crucible Titanium Review* and wrote many articles for publication.

He will be responsible for the distribution of information to the press and public in the areas of commercial, production, technical and financial activities, and will serve as contact for the national business and technical press, radio and television in these areas.

Furnace Division Manager

William C. Diman, long-time employee of C. I. Hayes, Inc., has

been appointed manager of the furnace division of this Cranston, Rhode Island firm. Diman joined Hayes in 1946 after serving as Squadron Commander in the 9th Air Force in World War II.



William C.
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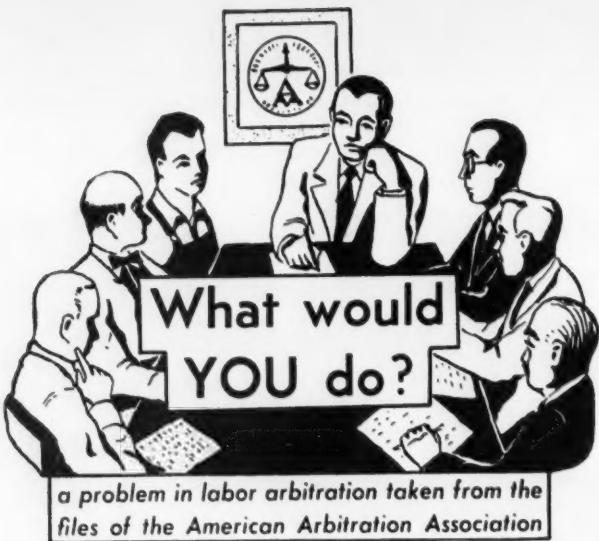
In his capacities with Hayes as service engineer and furnace application engineer, he has originated many advanced furnace designs which have influenced heat treating techniques, particularly in the electronics and ceramics industries. In

Meet The Skipper

It's not all work and no play for industry members as is evidenced by this candid shot of John Paterson, a member of the board of trustees of MTI. John is shown tak-



ing a turn at the wheel of a schooner during a cruise between sessions of the Metal Treating Institute meetings held recently at the British Colonial Hotel, Nassau, Bahamas.



a problem in labor arbitration taken from the files of the American Arbitration Association

CASE OF THE TEMPORARY HELPERS

Although the contract between a union and a corn products refinery said that no new employees were to be hired while workers with seniority were on lay off, it had been the practice of management to hire college boys for temporary laboring work during the summer months, despite the fact that some female employees were on lay off from their packing room jobs. The personnel manager always cleared this procedure with the union president and the latter never objected because it didn't seem likely that the women could do the kind of work the boys were hired for.

But in the summer of 1959, things were different. The temporary hires were for some clean-up work and the union was sure the regular female employees would have qualified. So the union president refused to okay the deal and when the company hired some college boys anyway, a grievance was filed.

Eventually the matter went to arbitration under the rules of the American Arbitration Association. The union rested its case almost exclusively on the contract clause. The company admitted that the contract was clear on that point but insisted that the agreement was superseded by past practice. "All we're doing is what we've been doing every year for the past five," the personnel manager said. "The union can't object to it all of a sudden."

"We let it pass on a year-to-year basis. That's not the same as waiving our contractual rights forever," answered the international representative of the union.

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may not be invoked to vitiate the terms of an unambiguous provision, especially in circumstances where deviation from the agreement's terms occurred after specific notice to the union and without the union's consent." The union won the case and, since it was the arbitrator's opinion that the women could have performed the clean-up work, they were reimbursed.

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The furnace was designed for a large aircraft subcontractor to be used in the manufacture of honeycomb aircraft and missile parts. Honeycomb sections up to 12 ft. wide by 20 ft. long by 4 ft. in height can be handled in the furnace.

Key to the furnace's performance is a new, lightweight refractory, Foamsil, a product of the Pittsburgh Corning Corporation. The material is 99% pure fused silica glass foamed in a special, very high temperature furnace to create millions of tiny sealed cells. The material can cycle from -450 F. to +2,000 F. without thermal shocking. It weighs only 13 lbs. per cu. ft. yet has a compressive strength of 200

lbs. per sq. in.

Key factor is the material's low specific heat—only .277 at 1,200 F.—combined with light weight. According to Harold E. Mescher, Director of Research and Development at Pacific Scientific, "Foamsil requires five times less heat to bring a given load up to temperature."

He also states that the tremendous growth of the aircraft and electronics industries has brought with it complex problems in the design and manufacture of components to make them smaller and more heat resistant. This, in turn, has called for new concepts in furnace design—faster handling methods, automatic controls and consistently even heats. The art of brazing, itself, has become more complex by the day because the demand for these components has brought special stainless steels and rare alloys out of the research stage and into actual production.

The introduction of these metals has necessitated new brazing techniques and new furnace designs.

The problem is to make depend-



FIG. 2. Cutting Foamsil insulating refractory.

able brazed joints in these alloys on a production basis and with a minimum of rejects. To do this, a brazing furnace must provide accurately controlled heating and cooling cycles; in many cases, allow components to be handled in the protective atmosphere of a retort; and must provide facilities for fast loading and unloading.

In designing the production brazing furnace, three honeycomb brazing problems had to be overcome: (1) the material had to be held very straight, (2) it must be heated to the desired temperature very rapidly, and (3) the heat must be taken out of it quickly to enable the braze to set.

The first problem was overcome by the design of a portable furnace which would move over the part to be brazed as it rests on upright rods and then backs away from it after the brazing operation.

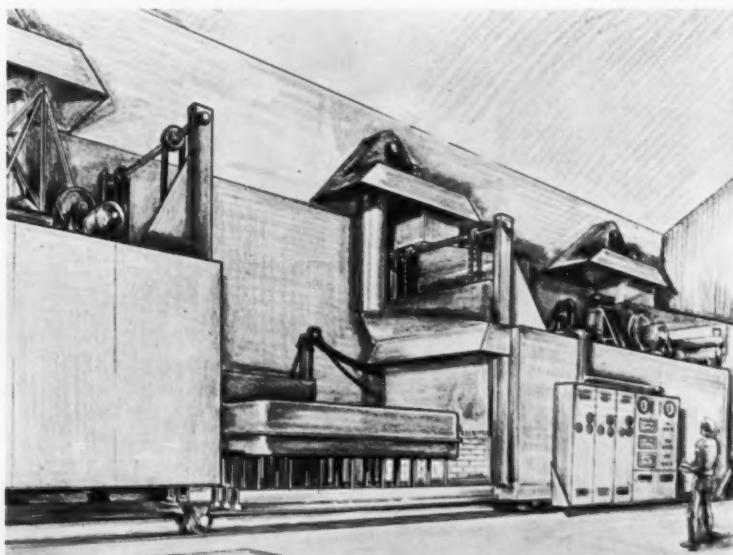
Foamsil took care of the other two problems because of its low residual heat capacity, light weight and low heat storage capacity.

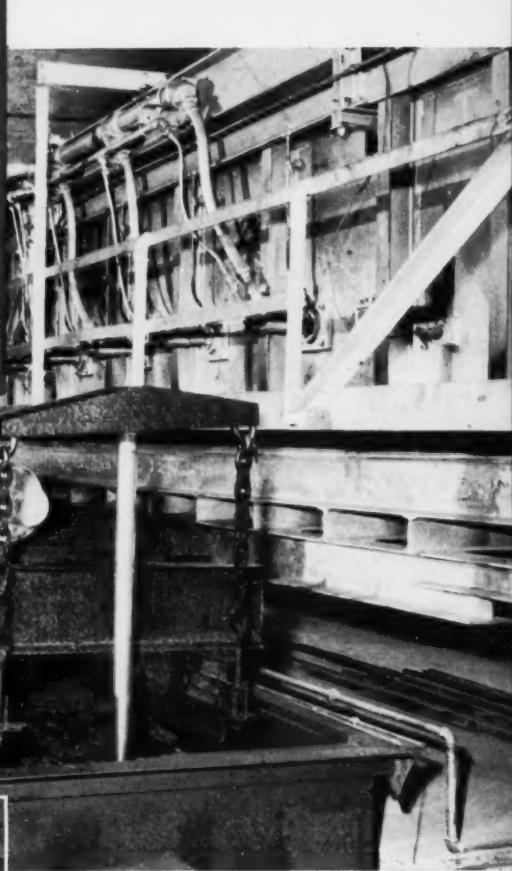
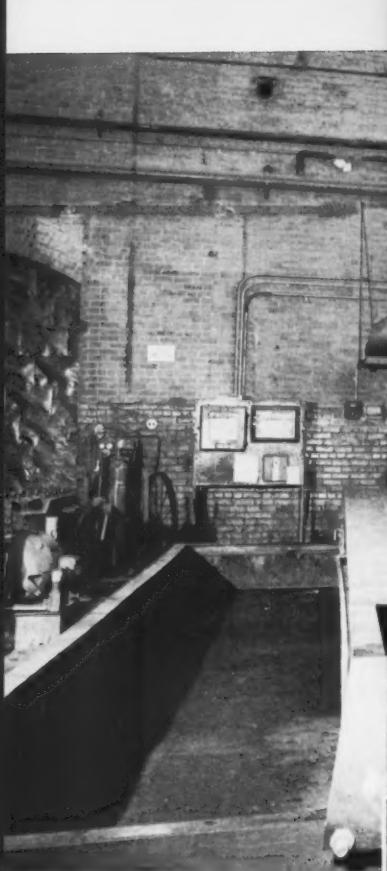
The furnace is designed to operate at a temperature of approximately 2,000 F. Over-all dimensions are 91 ft. by 21 ft. Forty-six gas burners supply the needed heat.

A total of 3,000 bd. ft. of Foamsil was installed in the furnace. A double row of 17 in. by 22 in.

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FIG. 1. Artist's conception of completed furnace.





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Because of this and because of the new and exceptional design characteristics and ultimate engineering properties which can be achieved only through skillful and accurate heat treating, the tonnage volume of heat treating materials processed by the commercial heat treating industry grows steadily month after month.

There is another reason for this and it is found in the fact that only the commercial heat treater offers practically an all inclusive diversity of plant facilities, but even more important, the accumulation of technical skills, experienced personnel, and the background of knowledge so essential to this field.

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blocks were installed; one layer of 2 in. thick and another of 3 in. thick. Special Foamsil cement was used as the adhesive. A 4 in. layer of another insulating material was used as back-up.

Total weight of the furnace is 75,000 lbs. The hearth alone weighs 25,000 lbs. Total cost is \$163,000. Of this figure, \$20,000 is for heating equipment. Had Foamsil not

the left shows a five piece assembly being soldered in one open end coil using pre-formed solder rings; in the center of the table, tungsten contacts are being brazed to brass bodies using silver solder; and on the right, five copper and brass assemblies are being soldered within one heating coil. The three-position work table is powered by a single induction heating generator, which can be switched from one working station to another.

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is the advantage of leaving the operating set-up as is — proceeding to the next application, then returning to the original set-up without loss of time. The work table is equipped with pilot lights to indicate the station being powered. Each station can be operated by a push-button, footswitch or timer. These work tables can also be built with quench tanks for heat treating applications.

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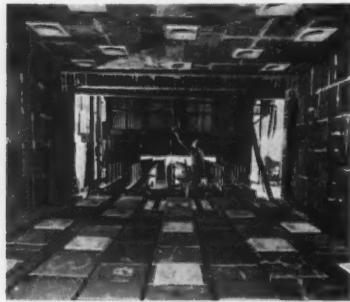


FIG. 3. Interior of heating chamber with heating forks installed.

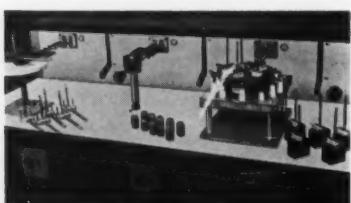
been used, heating equipment alone would have cost \$100,000.

Apart from fuel and equipment savings, the large, but light, cellular silica blocks enabled speedier installation with accompanying savings in labor costs.

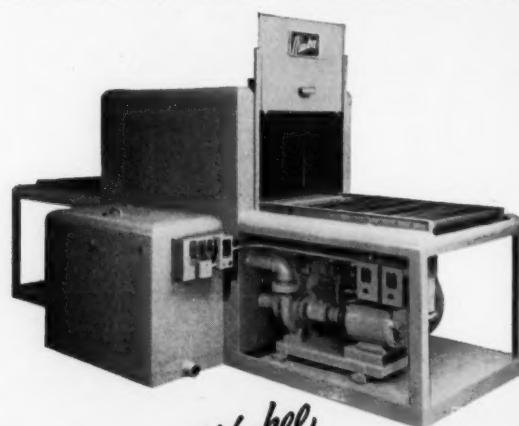
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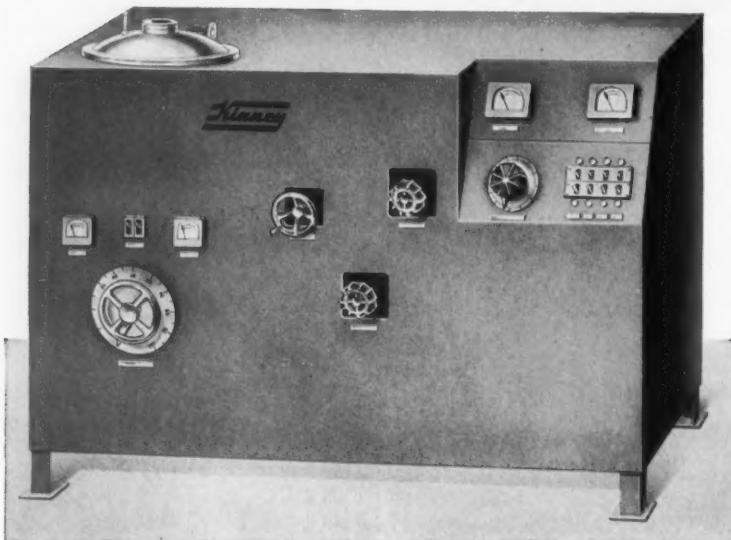
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\$200 Million In Leases

Equipment leased by metalworking firms will soar to more than \$200 million by the end of 1960, the Metal Treating Institute convention was told in Nassau during their spring convention.

Gordon H. Wolfe, of New York, eastern vice president for Nationwide Leasing Company, Chicago, said that more equipment was leased by metalworking firms than any other industry group. At the end of 1959, he added, there was approximately \$118 million worth of equipment on long-term lease to metalworking companies.

Wolfe also pointed out that long-term equipment leasing is proving to be a major aid to manufacturers of industrial machinery in the metalworking field. He predicted that approximately \$50 million worth of equipment manufactured by metalworking companies would be leased in 1960. This increase, about 42 per cent over 1959, he attributed to the introduction of lease plans by a number of equipment manufacturers, such as Verson Allsteel Press Company, Chicago.

Water Saver Deluxe

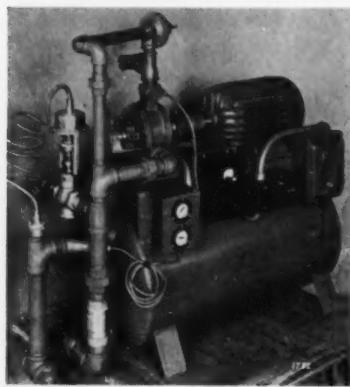
A self-contained water recirculating system, which saves upwards of 50% in water consumption, has been designed for use with all induction heating equipment. The unit also contains a special electromagnetic device to control formation of scale and corrosion.

The Ther-Monic Water Economizer was designed and built by the Induction Heating Corporation of Brooklyn, New York.

An electro-magnetic device on the supply end charges the solids of the water and prevents them from clinging to the storage tank or the inside of the plumbing. They simply pass through the system and out the drain, which prevents the formation of scale.

Temperature of the water may be controlled at any setting in the range from 75 F. to 150 F. by a finger operated dial on the auto-

matic thermostatic valve on the inlet water line. A dial type thermometer indicates the temperature of the circulating water. The amount of water that can be saved depends upon water supply temperature and the maximum allowable temperature of cooled equipment.



Pressure in the system is automatically fixed by an adjustable pressure regulator on the output side of the pump. A dial gauge monitors pressure visually. Drive for the pump is supplied by a totally enclosed, continuous duty motor of 1½ HP, 220/440 volts.

The system is complete with overload protection, manual motor starter and control transformer.

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New Indicating Labels

A simple method for temperature detection and indication through 1,100 F. is now available in the form of Temp-Plates, adhesive-backed temperature indicating labels, manufactured by Pyrodyne, Inc., Los Angeles, California.



The increments, calibrated to an accuracy of plus or minus 1 per

cent, change from pastel to jet-black to give a positive, irreversible record of heat exposure. From 500 F. to 1,100 F. in fifty degree steps, the indicators are ceramicly isolated on stainless steel foil plates; from 100 F. to 500 F., the plates are offered in plastic casing. Highly flexible and immune to most ambient conditions, Temp-Plates will adhere until intentionally removed.

Designed for detection of hazardous excess temperatures, Temp-Plates provide a safeguard for equipment and personnel by point-

ing up over-heat conditions on brakes, engines, exhaust manifolds, rocket engine housings, heat exchangers, nose cones and other critical areas.

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"Specialty Steels"

Pittsburgh executives of the Crucible Steel Company of America recently entertained members of the local Pittsburgh area press, radio and TV and editors and publishers

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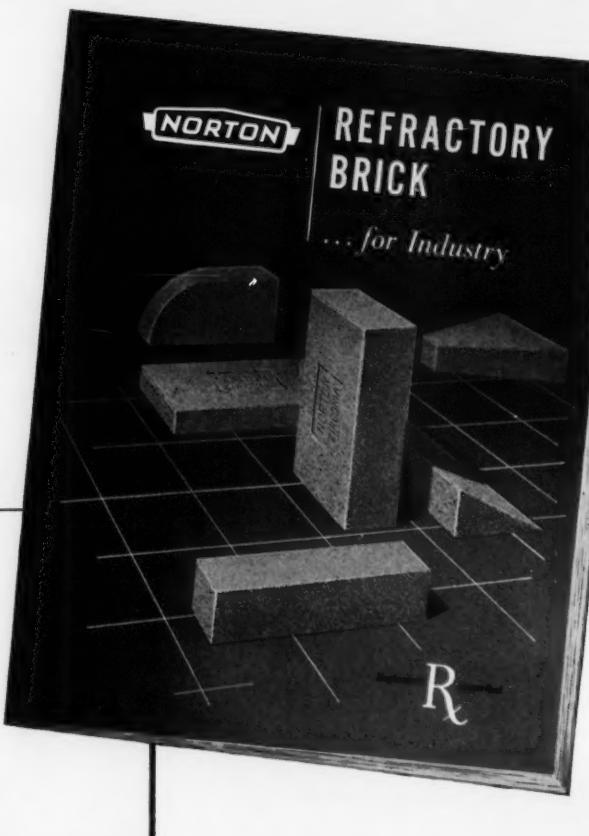
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of the National Technical and Business press for a showing of Crucible's new 45 minute color film "Specialty Steels."

The film was planned by Michael Stumm, director of information services, to tell the story of the science and the art which goes into producing the special purpose steels, such as stainless steels and tough wear and shock resistant steels for the tool room. It was produced by the Marshall Organization, Inc., New York.

The music, which accompanies the story of specialty steels, is a special performance of the Zurich, Switzerland, Symphony Orchestra, and has not been played before in this country.

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Poly-Rustex

A universal rust inhibitor compound that gives long lasting corrosion protection to new metals, fabricated parts, machinery and tools, and all other forms of iron and steel with a single easy, low-cost application has been developed and is now being marketed by Brad Chemical, Inc., Chicago.

Called Poly-Rustex, the new preparation is a special combination of active materials dispersed in an oil carrier base. The exclusive ingredients penetrate deeply through existing corrosion to the bare metal and form a solid air-and-moisture-tight seal, thus preventing formation of new rust. The only clear rust inhibitor on the market, Poly-Rustex will not discolor the metal, yet provides complete protection that will not wash or wear away under normal conditions.

Poly-Rustex comes ready to use without mixing, and can be easily and quickly applied to any metal surface by a variety of methods: brush, spray, mop or dip.

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Portable Temperature Chamber

A precision temperature test chamber capable of accomodating rack-mounted electronic equipment has been announced by Delta Design, Inc. Prolonged temperature runs with stability to within $\frac{1}{2}$ F. over the range -100 F. to +500 F. can be economically made.

The new chamber provides one of the most accurate temperature controls as well as the highest ratio of test volume to overall volume of any portable temperature chamber

presently available to the electronics industry.

Described as Model 7000A of Delta Design's Precision Series of test units, the chamber has an internal test volume of $19\frac{1}{2}$ by 11 by 15 in., easily handling the 19 in. standard rack unit. Model 7000A attains its high degree of temperature stability through the use of a thermocouple and a precision meter-relay.

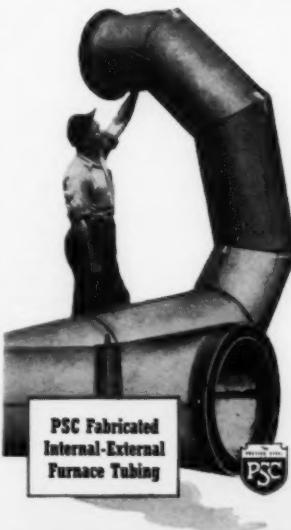
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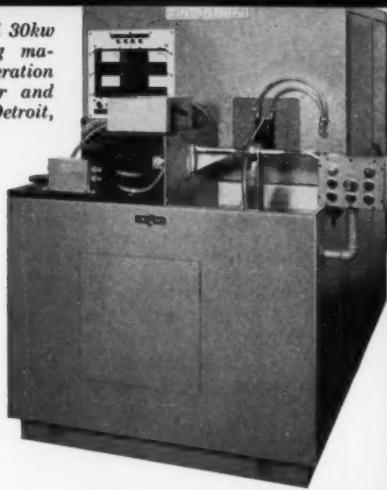
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Fig. 1. Cincinnati 30kw Inductron heating machine now in operation at Dearborn Gear and Tool Company, Detroit, Michigan.



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a method for rapid hardening
 $3\frac{1}{2}$ " of the bearing surface and spline
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Fig. 2. Shafts are received in hopper and positioned so that a horizontal, multiple-speed cam feeds the parts through the coil. Cam has OD contoured to provide the proper feed rate for the different diameters of the part. When the required $3\frac{1}{2}$ ' length is heated, limit switch cuts off current as the remainder of the shaft is rapidly passed through coil. Heat cycle is again energized as next shaft enters coil.

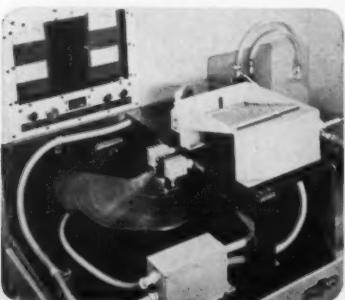


Fig. 3. Close-up view of heat-quench area showing one shaft entering discharge chute while another shaft is passing through coil. Quench head is positioned adjacent to the coil and applies spray quench to the areas of the part that have just been heated. Three shafts are always in line, and parts are continuously fed through the coil, one shaft pushing another.

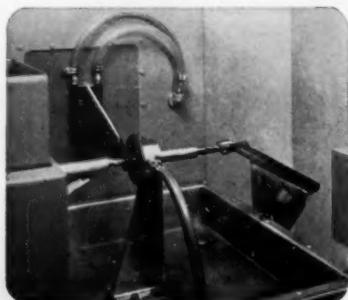


Fig. 4. Cross section of splined area of armature shaft, showing uniform pattern of .020" minimum case depth. Minimum hardness achieved is 40 Rc.

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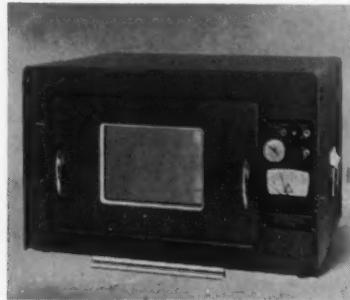
Miniature Grinding Wheels

A new line of miniature precision mounted grinding wheels, known as "Minigrind" mounted wheels has been developed and is commercially available from Norton Company.

These abrasive wheels, made as small as .036 in. diameter and as thin as .016 in. were developed for use in miniature precision bearing manufacture. Additional applications are being found in the tool and die industry, specifically on jig grinders.

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through and support the entire length of the abrasive section.

Because of the extremely small diameters, these wheels must rotate at extremely high speeds to insure proper grinding action. Even at 100,000 to 150,000 revolutions per minute of the ultra high speed spindles on the machines using these wheels, the surface feet per minute of the wheel sometimes gets as low as 1000. Normal grinding speed for conventional grinding is about 6,500 s.f.p.m.

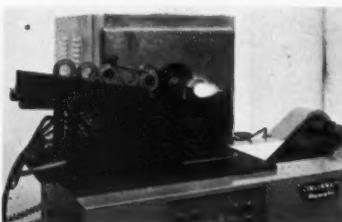
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Special Tooling Process

Pictured here is a close-up of a new Cincinnati Flamatic equipped with a water cooled rotating flame head. The automatic stator hub,

with dimensions of 3.94 in. O.D. and 2.157 in. I.D., is made of SAE 1062 steel and has the inside bore hardened to 60-62 RC with a depth hardness of .125 in. Production capacity is rated at 208 parts per 52 min. hour.

Sequence of the process begins with the part being fed by gravity down an inclined chute, then located on a cradle type fixture in front of



the rotary flame head. The flame head then advances into the part bore and rotates as it selectively heats the I.D. At completion of the heating cycle, the flame head retracts, the cradle tips forward and

the part is dropped into an integral quench tank. A conveyor then carries the part out of the quench tank.

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Combustion Furnaces

Hevi-Duty Electric Company a division of Basic Products Corporation has announced a complete new line of combustion tube furnaces capable of operating at temperatures of 2,200 F. These furnaces constitute an extension of the 1,850 F. Combustion Tube Furnace line manufactured by Hevi-Duty Electric Company.

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refractories of the multiple unit design. These heating units can be arranged for multiple zone temperature control to provide optimum temperature uniformity over an extended length.



Hevi-Duty Combustion Tube Furnaces, capable of operating at temperatures to 1,850 F. are now available in an expanded variety of sizes. Many sizes are available from stock for immediate delivery. Furnaces may be used in either a vertical or horizontal position and have become a standard for use in creep and tensile testing equipment.

Furnaces in both temperature ranges are available in either the solid or hinged construction. They are also available with or without indicating or controller pyrometers.

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Magnaflux Containers

A new development being marketed by Magnaflux Corporation is the convenience of magnetic particle inspection materials available in pressurized spray cans and plastic squeeze-bottles. These materials can be used with any of the magnetic particle inspection equipment or test kits already in operation throughout industry.

This innovation has been fully tested in Magnaflux Research Laboratories and commercial inspection plants. It proved to be a major advance over earlier Magnaflux test materials by making tests faster and easier, when used in field testing and on parts of complex shape being

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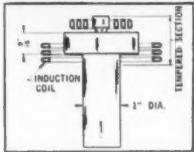
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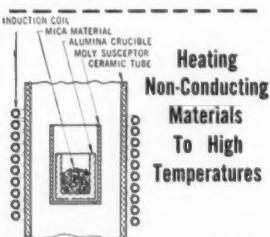
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Punch Heads Selectively Tempered

Diagram shows arrangement for selectively tempering heads of alloy steel punches. The use of a combination type solenoid and pancake induction coil reduces hardness from Rc 55/56 to Rc 41/44, improving resistance to brittle fracture at the head of the punch. In this case a heating cycle of 55 seconds provides uniform tempering. A multiple position fixture, processing 4 pieces at one time, speeds up production.



Heating Non-Conducting Materials To High Temperatures

Laboratory analyses frequently require heating of non-conducting materials to temperatures of 3,000 to 3,500° F. in vacuum or special atmosphere. This can be accomplished by induction heating with the aid of a metal susceptor. Diagram shows the fusion of mica samples in an alumina crucible, using molybdenum susceptor. A ceramic tube surrounding the susceptor isolates the work for fusion in a vacuum. The molybdenum susceptor is heated by induction, which in turn, heats the crucible by radiation.

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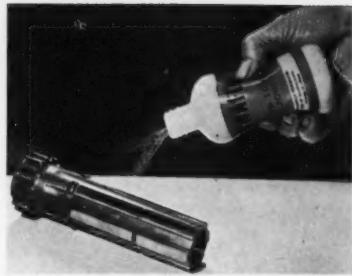
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The ready to use Magnaflux-Magnaglo materials eliminate previous bulky containers, and the problems of mixing to formula, or filling application devices, and reduce set-up time to inspect complex parts. The new sealed dispensers keep out dust, moisture, and other contamination during storage.

Pictured here is the Magnaflux gray powder in a plastic squeeze-



bulb. The material, in this case, is being used to test a premagnetized part for cracks.

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Vertical Tube Furnace With Kanthal Elements

A new vertical tube furnace, incorporating Kanthal super heating elements, and designed for an operating temperature range to 1,600 C. has been announced by the Pereny Equipment Company, Inc., Chambers Road, Columbus, Ohio.

Known as the Model MTKS-312, this new unit incorporates a 3 in. I.D. by 30 in. impervious mullite tube with the Kanthal super heating elements mounted vertically and parallel to its main axis. The hot zone is 12 in. long. A vertical-lift loading column is counterbalanced for manual operation.



The heavy-duty all welded steel case is insulated with 9½ in. graded, super-duty, lightweight insulating refractory. Overall size is 30 in. wide by 30 in. deep by 60 in. high.

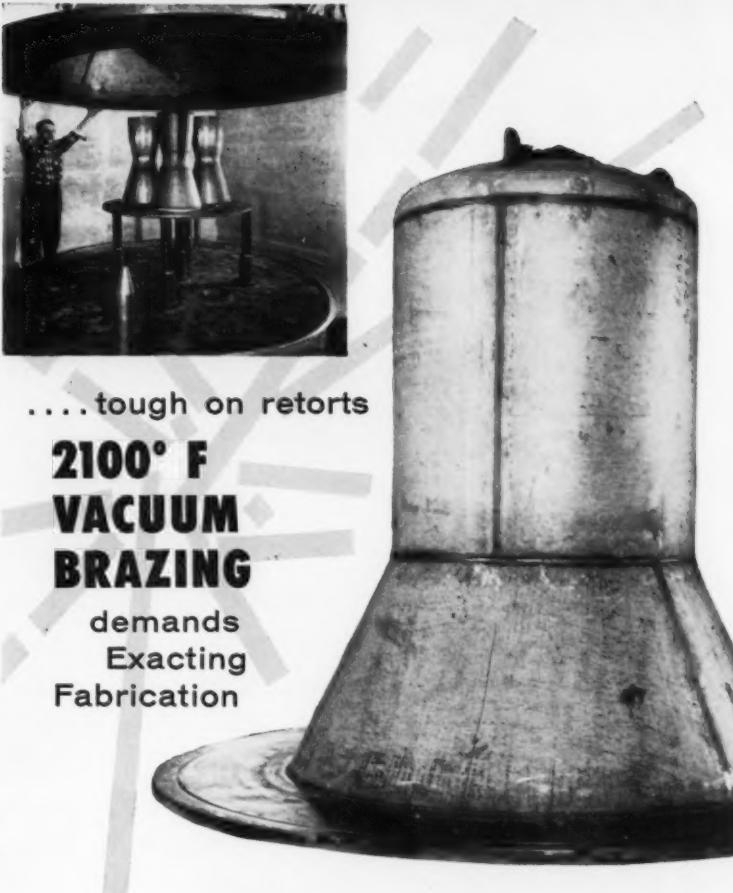
Complete reactor "package", strip chart indicator-controller-recorder and required platinum thermocouple, as well as internally wired controls are all mounted in a separate matching floor-type steel panel.

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Work Glove Automat

Arlington Industries, Revere, Massachusetts, has issued a catalog describing its Work Glove Automat which is designed to make work

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This 8-foot-high bell retort fabricated of 1/4-in. RA 330 stainless by Alloy Engineering is used for equalized vacuum brazing in an electric refractory furnace. Designed for 2100° service at a 4 micron/1000 micron equalized vacuum, the retort is subject to cyclic thermal stresses reflected by a 1-in. increase in diameter at operating temperature.

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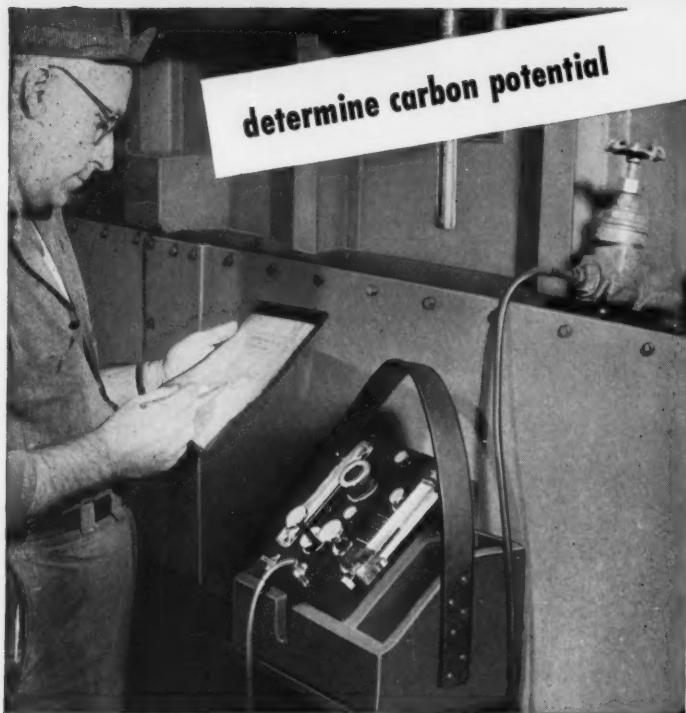
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gloves readily available to employees but under close administrative control.

The Automat consists of a wall hung steel cabinet operating on special alloy tokens to dispense any type of work glove. It is adaptable to any existing glove program—free

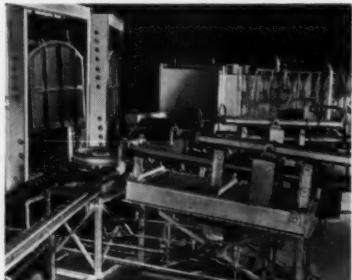


issue or sale at cost. Features include a sensitive slug rejector and non reset counter. In combination these function honestly, 24 hours a day, as automatic clerk, auditor and glove depot.

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25% Griffin Increase

Griffin Wheel Company increased production of railroad car wheels 25% with the recent installation of a specially designed Lindberg Preheat Furnace.



The automated installation speeds up the heat treating operation. In the process, car wheels are automatically conveyed into the preheat furnace, brought quickly to the desired temperature and automatically conveyed into the Lindberg Rotary Hearth Furnace, previously installed at the Colton Plant.

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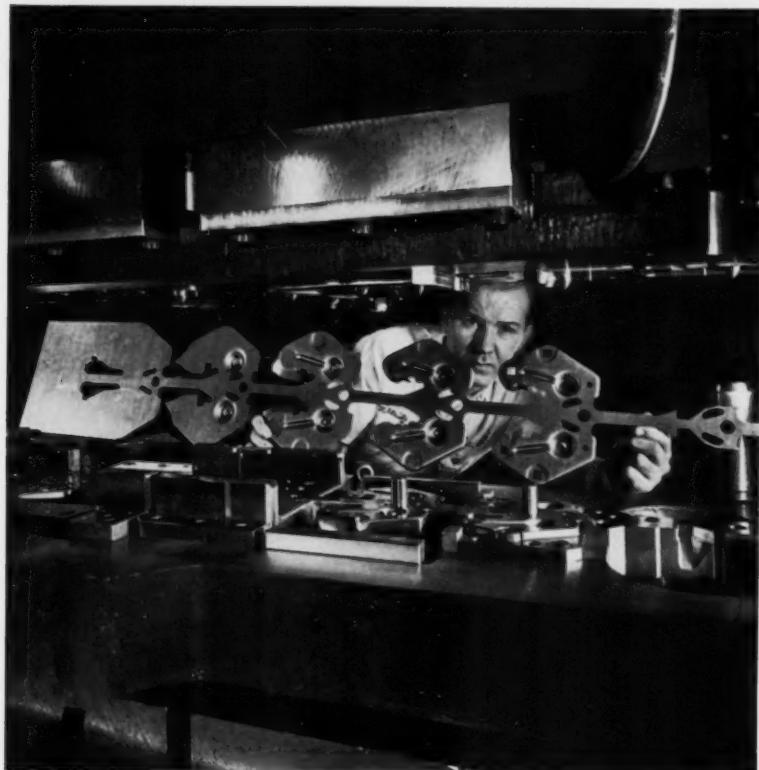


Tool Steel Topics



BETHLEHEM STEEL COMPANY, BETHLEHEM, PA.

Export Distributor: Bethlehem Tool Export Corporation



*Another report on Lehigh H tool steel—
“good machinability . . . very low distortion”*

7-STAGE DIE FORMS AUTOMOTIVE DECK HINGE PART

This 7-position progressive die of Bethlehem Lehigh H tool steel was made recently by Hillside Tool & Die Company, Roseville, Michigan, for the production of an automotive deck hinge part, from 13-gage sheet steel. The die, made from Lehigh H supplied by our local distributor, Peninsular Steel Co., Detroit, was hardened to Rockwell C 60. It was used in a 400-ton press.

When asked about the performance of the tool steel, a Hillside engineer reported, "We like Lehigh H in jobs of

this type because of its good machinability, and its very low distortion during heat-treatment. The die was placed in service with hardly any stoning necessary."

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*Here's how to
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Shrink-fitting of tool steel inserts, commonly used in improving the service life of tools, is most applicable to rings and cylinders used in heading and drawing operations, where the tools can be shrink-fitted into large retaining rings. The shrink-fit sets up radial compressive stress in the tool. This serves to oppose radial tensile stress set up in service, thereby improving the performance over solid tools which are not pre-stressed.

Here's how to do it:

1. The retainer should have adequate diameter and strength to provide the stresses required on the tool insert. Generally, an alloy steel capable of hardening to 300-400 BHN is used. Shock-resisting tool steels, heat-treated to Rockwell C 48-52, are recommended for heavy-duty applications. The OD of the retainer should be at least twice, and preferably three times, the ID.

2. Allow for a shrink-fit of .003/.004 in. per in. Thus the OD of the insert is .003/.004 in. per in. larger than the ID of the retainer into which it is to fit. These dimensions must be maintained to obtain the benefits of shrink-fitting.

3. It is important that the OD of the insert and the ID of the retainer have a smooth finish, preferably produced by grinding.

4. Heat the retainer to a temperature sufficient to cause the expansion required in assembling the insert. Do not exceed the tempering temperature used in heat-treating the retainer. If necessary, the insert may be sub-zero cooled, to help provide the proper clearance for assembly.

5. After assembly of the parts, the assembly should be cooled rapidly. This will prevent over-tempering of the insert by heat transferred from the retainer.

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above the upper critical. If the forging is such that cold areas are obtained, i.e., some portion of the forging being below the upper critical temperature-wise, the structure after isothermal treatment may not be uniform. In any event, isothermal quenching in the upper portion of the curve will present an ideal method in treating deep hardening steels that may be susceptible to cracking if they were cooled in air after the forging operation.

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OUR DRIVERS

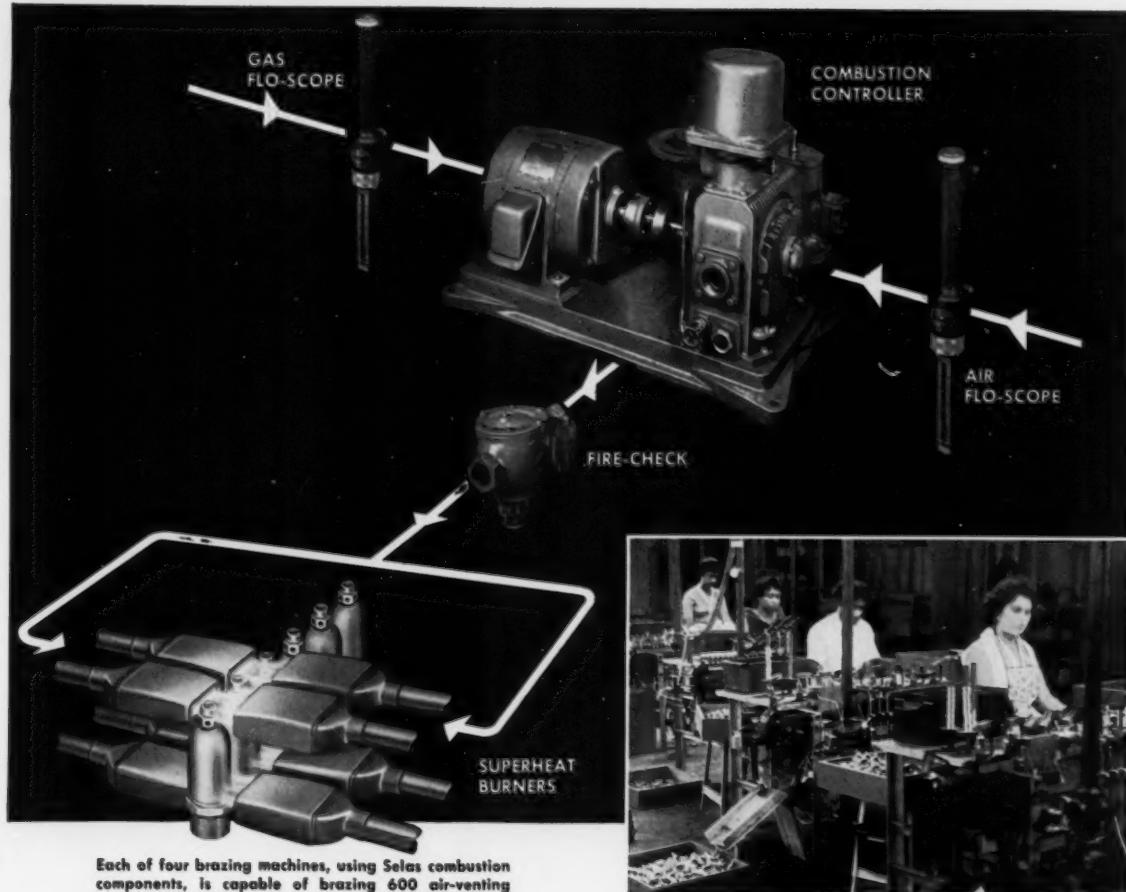
No matter how the weather,
Snow or ice or sleet,
With care our drivers carry on,
On highways or the street.
At every crossing, danger lurks
Awaiting for his prey,
But skillful drivers know full well
There is no right of way.

A man is not a driver
By sitting behind a wheel.
He has many duties to perform
When his truck is standing still.
With tongue in cheek, unloading,
He hears a customer say,
"Where in h---'s that die of mine?
It was promised for today."

He bluffs, through all his shippers
Tho, he hadn't seen the die.
Then like a foreign diplomat,
He explains the reason why.
Sometimes the customers understand,
The driver's not to blame.
But a broken promise hurts a lot
When service is their aim.

In tribute to our Drivers then,
Give them a rousing cheer,
For services rendered in the past
And every day this year.
And let us all cooperate
So they may proudly say,
"Your rush jobs, sir, are on my truck.
I've got them all today."

Jack Fraser



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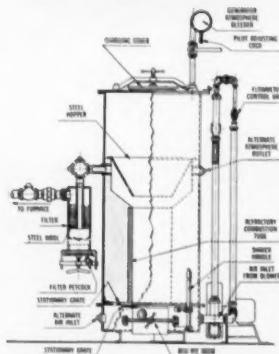
Invisible Acid Glove

The remarkable protective power of an industrial barrier cream is shown in this dramatic picture. These hands were coated with "Kerodex" type 71 barrier cream, widely used in American industry as a protection against irritants. Then a bottle of pure hydrochloric acid was slowly poured into the palm, running down and around the fingers before splashing off. During part of this test, the hand was clenched and unclenched to prove the resilience of this "invisible glove." After washing, inspection of

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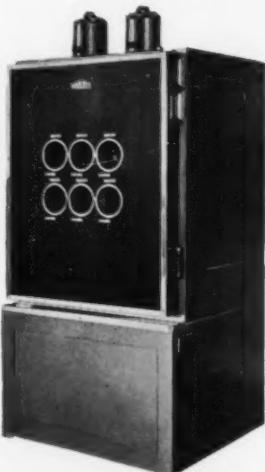


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Adult education classes in a Wisconsin high school use this Hevi-Duty 051-PT muffle furnace for copper enameling. In constant use for 12 years, it still has all four original heating units. Clean, safe, and easy to operate, this furnace provides uniform chamber heat with negligible heat loss despite frequent door openings. **For complete information on this muffle furnace, write for Bulletin 849.**

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Bedford Gear and Machine Products Co., Bedford, Ohio, eliminated \$1,000 per month in scrap losses with this Hevi-Duty Clean-Line automatic heat-treat unit. This heat-treating system includes enclosed quench furnace, washer, atmosphere draw furnace, and endothermic generator. **For more information, please send for Bulletin D-100.**

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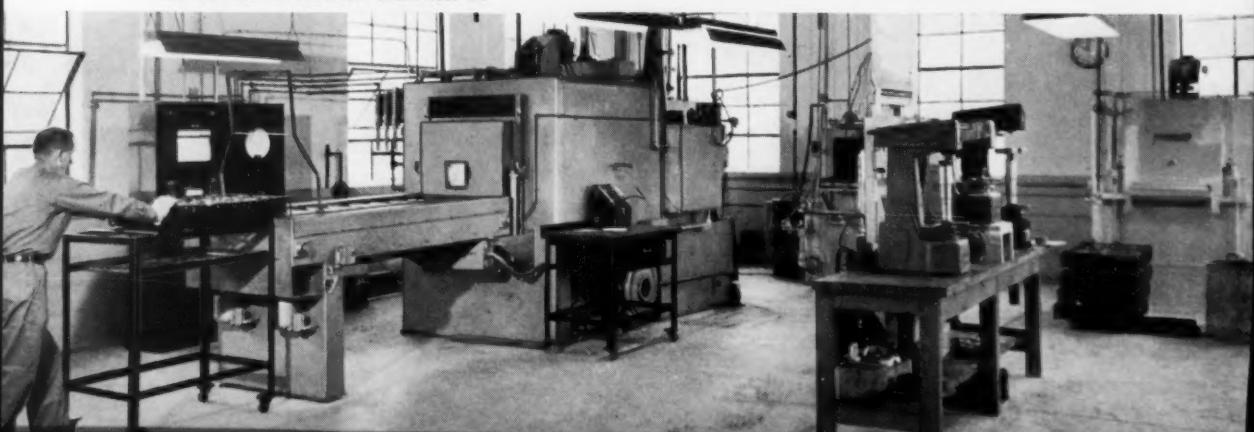


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MANUFACTURERS' LITERATURE

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The Uddeholm Company of America has just released an illustrated pamphlet on **UHB Calmax**, their newest Hot Work Tool Steel. UHB Calmax is an air or oil hardening chromium - tungsten - cobalt steel especially recommended for hot pressing dies, mandrels, extrusion dies, die casting dies for copper, brass and similar alloys with high melting temperatures—wherever the highest hardness and wear resistance must be retained through elevated production temperatures. The pamphlet discusses the characteristics and uses of the steel, and gives detailed information on treatment in forging, annealing, stress relieving, hardening and tempering. Diagrams graphically show the effects of various temperatures on hardening and tempering, giving Rockwell C hardness statistics.

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Turco Pretreat is the title of a technical data bulletin now available from Turco Products, Inc., Wilmington, California. The booklet gives details for a new process for rapid descaling of a range varying to high temperature alloys. This process is said to be particularly effective when applied to these materials before heat treatment. After treatment it is easily removed, having prevented formation of all oxides, carburization, and scale of any type.

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Bulletin CRS-60 describes the Kentrall line of **Four New Motorized Hardness testers** manufactured by The Torsion Balance Company, Clifton, New Jersey. By removing

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General Electric Exalene Gas Producers—GED-3995—lists features and advantages of General Electric exalene, exothermic, gas producers for bright annealing, normalizing, brazing and sintering of low-carbon steels, brass and copper. The four page illustrated publication discusses burner installation, controls, cooling unit and mixing equipment. Operating data, ratings and dimensions are also included.

For further information circle No. 51

Industrial Furnaces is the general title of a bulletin covering the full line of Sunbeam industrial furnace equipment for heat processing. The brochure includes a special selection guide which enables readers to select the proper equipment in relation to their particular heat process requirements.

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For further information circle No. 56

An 8-page pamphlet on their UHB Premo Tool Steel, a steel used for producing molds for plastics, and die casting dies for zinc and other metals with low melting points has been announced by Uddeholm Company of America. The pamphlet describes UHB Premo as a low-carbon tool steel, having good case-hardening characteristics, good hobbability especially for deep and intricate cavities, and high wear resistance after heat treatment. Detailed information is given for forging, stress relieving, carburizing, quenching, tempering and martempering. Photographs show various molds and dies for typical applications. Graphs are given to illustrate the effects of carburizing time on carburizing depth, and tempering temperature on surface hardness.

For further information circle No. 57

A new "how-to" book, **Photomicrography of Metals**, a reference guide for metallurgists, has been published by Eastman Kodak Company. The 46-page data book may also serve as a short course in photomicrography for those metallurgists interested in reviewing the latest techniques in this field. In addition, the booklet should prove a valuable ad-

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Available through many Kodak dealers, the booklet is priced at 50 cents. The booklet may be also ordered directly from Sales Service Division, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester 4, New York, for 50 cents plus 10 cents for handling.

General Electric Mesh-Belt Furnaces —GED-3881—is a four-page bulletin which describes features and advantages of General Electric ribbon or silicon carbide resistor mesh-belt furnaces for copper brazing, silver brazing, sintering and bright annealing. The illustrated publication contains tables of furnace dimensions and typical production curves.

For further information circle No. 58

Photomicrography Print Development is the feature article in Volume VI, Issue I, of *Metal Digest*, bi-monthly external house organ of Buehler, Limited. The report, by Cornelius A. Johnson, widely known metallurgist also contains a scale showing the schematic representation of relationship between negative transmission scale, printing paper scale, and tonal quality of prints.

For further information circle No. 59

Metal Processing Bulletin 57-108, 8 pages, 2 colors, gives full information on infrared ovens and components for metal processing applications. Typical installations are shown.

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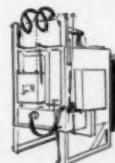
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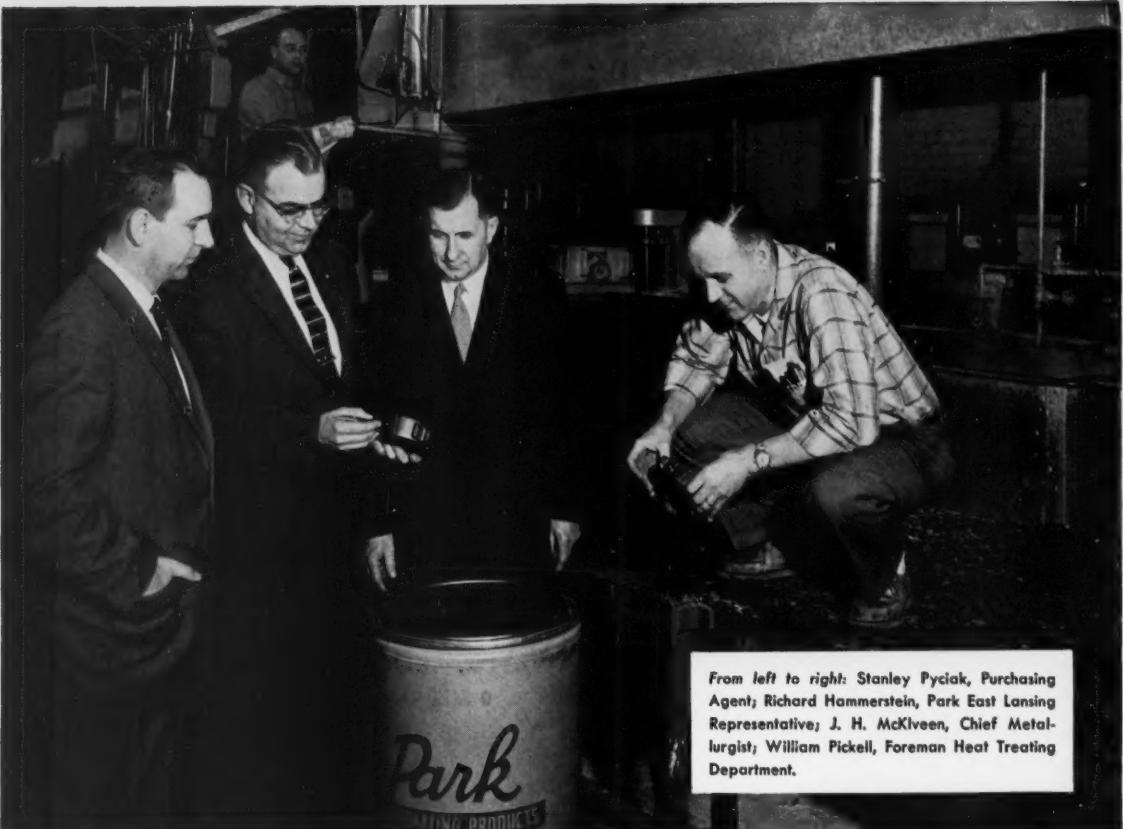
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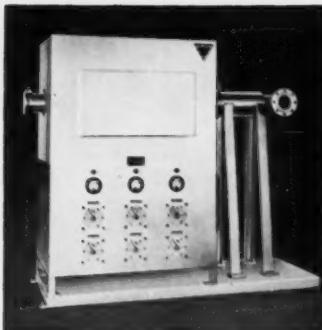
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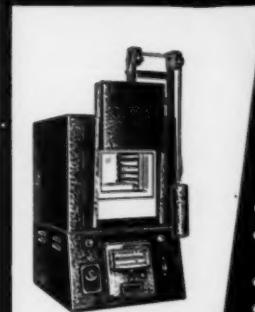
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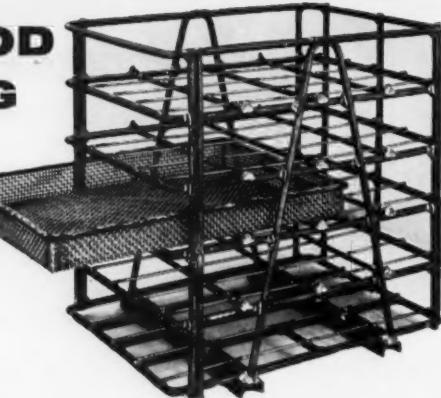
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